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NEW BRITISH FUNGI.

By M. C. COOKE.

(Continued from Vol. xvi., p. 102.)

Agaricus (Pholiota) molliscorium, Cke. & Mass.

Pileus fleshy, convex, then plane, obtuse, at length depressed, even, smooth, soft like kid leather, tawny yellow; disc darker, dry, shining (2-3 in. broad); margin acute, thin; stem equal, paler, erect, fistulose (3 in. long, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick), silky, punctately squamulose at the apex; ring broad, distant, brownish, deciduous; flesh yellow; gills narrowly adnate, ventricose, crowded, thin, ferruginous; spores elliptical, smooth, ferruginous, 12×5 -6 μ .

On the ground. Carlisle. (Dr. Carlyle.)

Taste and smell none. Habit that of A. præcox, with which it was associated, but differing in the yellow colour and the bright ferruginous gills. Near to Ag. ombrophilus, Fr.

Hygrophorus (Hydrocybe) spadiceus, Scop. Carn. 11., 443. Fr. Hym. Eur. 420.

Fragile; pileus thin, conical, acute, repand, fibrillosely virgate, at first covered with an olivaceous bay-brown gluten; stem hollow, equal, dry, becoming dusky and fibrillose; gills rounded behind, free, distant, lemon-yellow.—Fr. Icon. t. 168, fig. 1.

On the ground. July. Clun Forest. (W. Phillips.) Somewhat resembling H. conicus, but not turning black.

Lactarius (Piperites) umbrinus, Pers. Syn. 435.

Pileus compact, convex, then plane, umbilicate, dry, floccosely cracking, umber, without zones (3 in. broad); stem solid, very short (about an inch long), white, becoming cinereous; gills crowded, pallid, growing yellowish; milk acrid, white, making greyish spots.—Fr. Hym. Eur. 429. Cooke Illus. t. 1006.

In damp places. Epping.

Lactarius (Russularia) tomentosus, Otto, Krombh. t. 40, f. 17, 18. Pileus at first umbonate, then depressed and infundibuliform; dull flesh colour, becoming rufous and tawny, delicately tomentose (2-3 in. diam.); stem erect, at first stuffed, then somewhat hollow, pallid, naked, smooth; substance compact (2 in. long, ½ in. thick);

gills subdecurrent, yellow flesh colour; milk white (spores 8-9 μ diam.).—Cooke Illus. t. 1010.

In swampy ground. Orton Moss, near Carlisle.

Fries quotes Krombholz's figure under L. helvus with the note "haud bona." It should doubtless be kept distinct, if only as a sub-species.

Lactarius (Russularia) mammosus, Fr. Hym. Eur. 434.

var. monstrosus, Fr. Icon. t. 170, f. 2.

Pileus fleshy, acutely umbonate, then depressed (2.3 in. diam.), dry, zoneless, lurid, clad with an interwoven grey down; stem stuffed, then hollow, pubescent, pallid (with a lurid purplish tinge, 2-3 in. long, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick, or more), gills adnate, crowded, whitish, then pale ferruginous (scarcely other than whitish in this variety). Milk white, slowly acrid (spores about 10μ).—Cooke Illus. t. 995.

On the ground. Scarborough. (G. Massee).

Lactarius Terreyi, B. & Br., Ann. N. Hist. No. 1673, seems to be the same as L. cimicarius, or a variety of L. camphoratus, to which the specimens are referred in Herb. Berkeley.

Lactarius (Russularia) spinosulus, Quel. Norm. p. 20, t. 3, f. 10.

var. violaceus, Cooke Illus. t. 998 B.

Pileus thin, convex, then depressed (1 in. diam.), dry, tomentose, somewhat aculeate, violet, flesh paler, margin incurved, stem equal, stuffed, granulate, paler, growing pallid (2 in. long, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick), gills decurrent, narrow, thin, yellowish. Milk white, soon acrid.

On the ground. Chatsworth, Sept. 1873.

Lactarius (Russularia) cremor, Fries Hym. Eur. 432. var. pauper, Karst. Symb. × p. 58. lcon. f. 26.

Pileus fleshy, soft, rather plane, smooth, without zones, flesh colour, then yellowish, or gilvous tan colour, rather ochraceous when dry, punctate (3 in. broad or more), margin membranaceous, at length pectinately sulcate; stem hollow, equal, naked, smooth, paler than the pileus (about 2 in. long $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick), gills adnate, rather distant, thin, soft, colour of the pileus, flesh without juice, slowly acrid, white (spores 8-9 μ).—Cke. Illus. t. 1008.

Under fir trees. Carlisle.

Russula (Fragiles) Barlæ, Quelet. Ass. Fr.~1883,~t.~vi.,~f.~12.~Sacc. Syll.~v.,~1860.

Pileus convex, then flattened and depressed $(2\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$ in.), compact, viscid, then dry, even, peach coloured, yellow, tinged with orange red, sometimes cracking; flesh firm, sweet, white, slightly smelling of melilot, stem fleshy, spongy, firm, silky pruinose, snow white (2 in. long, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick), gills white, then becoming pallid ochraceous. Spores sub-globose, granular, $12 \times 10 \mu$.

Amongst grass, under trees. Kew, Epping Forest.

Our specimens seem to be referable to this species, the pileus has the centre always darker, tinged with a peculiar dull red, the margin bright ochre with a tinge of orange, the whole becoming pale and ochraceous in drying. The flesh of the stem sometimes turns reddish brown when cut, and the odour in age is rather that of crab than of melilot. Russula (Fragiles) fingibilis, Britz. Hym. Sudb. IV., f. 32.

Pileus yellow, convex, then plane or depressed, viscid, darker in the centre (about 2 in. diam.), thin towards the margin, but not striate. Stem equal, soft, white, spongy, at length hollow (2 in. long, $\frac{1}{3}$ in. thick), flesh white, mild, inodorous. Gills rather unequal, attenuated behind, somewhat crowded, thin, white. Spores nearly globose, 8-10 μ .

Under trees. Kew, July, 1882.

As far as it is possible to identify any of Britzelmayr's species this seems to accord, taking into account the additions we have made to the diagnosis.

Hypocrea moriformis, Cke. & Mass.

Fleshy, hemispherical (1 mm. diam.), scattered, pallid, at length black; perithecia convex, minute, rather prominent, pierced with a pore; asci cylindrical, sporidia uniseptate, then dividing into cubically globose frustules, olive, smooth $(5-6 \mu)$.

On rotten wood. Carlisle. (Dr. Carlyle).

Perithecia distinctly indicated, resembling a miniature mulberry.

Nectria pallidula, Cooke.

Perithecia cæspitose, globose, minute $(\frac{1}{5}$ mm.), smooth, pale ochre, bursting through the cuticle in irregular tufts, sometimes of one or two, sometimes 12 to 20 perithecia, effused when growing on naked wood. Asci clavate-cylindrical, sporidia for the most part uniseriate, subfusiform, uniseptate, hyaline $(12 \times 3 \mu)$.

On beech bark and wood. Carlisle. (Dr. Carlyle).

Mucor lateritius, Cke. & Mass.

Mycelium forming a continuous dense, dry, bright-brown felt, spreading over the tuber. Fertile hyphæ erect, simple or furcate; capitulum globose, sporidia subglobose $(12 \times 9\text{-}10 \ \mu)$, pale brickred, smooth.

On putrid potatoes. Kew.

Trichosporium umbrinum, Link.

Threads branched, bay-brown, forming a dense, long, and broadly effused interwoven stratum; conidia globose, smooth, brown (12-14 μ diam.).

Running over plant pots, &c. ("Gardeners' Chronicle.")

Edocephalum sulfureum, Cke. & Mass.

Tufts hemispherical or confluent, sulphur-coloured. Threads septate, dichotomous, globosely capitulate at the apex, papillate, conidia globose, hyaline (3-5 μ diam.). Epispore smooth.

On rope. Herbarium grounds, Kew.

Melanconium rusci, Cke. & Mass.

Pustules scattered, orbicular, erumpent, covered by the lacerated brown cuticle. Conidia elliptical, continuous, sooty-olive $(12 \times 7-8 \mu)$.

On phyllodes of Ruscus aculeatus. Kew.

This cannot be a form of *Sphæropsis rusci*, for there is no perithecium, and the pustules are scattered and solitary.

BRITISH PYRENOMYCETES.

By G. MASSEE.

(Continued from Vol. XVI., p. 120.)

Fam. 10. PERTUSÆ. Perithecia emergent, smooth, flattened at the base, adnate or subimmersed. Ostiolum papillate, or pierced.

GEN 1. CONISPHÆRIA. Sporidia hyaline.

- * ZIGNOINA. Sporidia continuous.
- C. rhodobapha, B. & Br., Sacc. Syll. 3659.
 On old wood. South Kensington, Bristol.
 - ** Melanopsamma. Sporidia uniseptate.
- C. pæcilostoma, B. & Br., Sacc. Syll. 3652. On furze. Lynn.
 - ** MELOMASTIA. Sporidia biseptate.
- C. Friesii, Nke., Sacc. Syll. 3625; Hdbk. 2620 (=S. Loniceræ, Sow.).

On honeysuckle. Highgate, Shere, Lynn.

** ZIGNOELLA. Sporidia multiseptate.

C. hysterioides, Curr., Grev. xvi., 92. On rotten wood. Chislehurst.

C. macrasca, Sacc. Syll. 3668.

On bleached elm wood. Bulwer, Yorks, Scarboro'.

- GEN. 2. TICOTHECIUM. Flot. Perithecia minute, growing on Lichens. Sporidia septate.
 - * Pharcidia. Sporidia hyaline.
 - ** Genuina. Sporidia coloured.

† Sporidia uniseptate.

T. gelidarium, Mudd., p. 130; Sacc. Syll. 2232. On Squamaria gelida. Teesdale.

T. perpusillum, Nyl., Sacc. Syll. 6593.

On Aspicilia. Gloucestershire, Ben Cranchan, Kylemore (I.).

T. calcaricolum, Mudd., p. 306; Sacc. Syll. 6597.

On Aspicilia. Lewes, Sussex, Longmynd, Ben Lawers, Ireland.

T. gemmiferum, Tayl., Sacc. Syll. 6598.

On lichens. Shrewsbury, Penzance, Cleveland, Grampians, Wales, Ireland.

T. squamarioides, Mudd., p. 130; Sacc. Syll. 6600. On Squamaria gelida. Tecsdale.

T. cerinarium, Mudd., p. 136; Sacc. Syll. 6602. On Callopisma. Near Ayton, Cleveland.

†† Sporidia triseptate.

T. pygmæum, Korb., Sacc. Syll. 6604.

On Aspicilia. Bræmar and Lough na-cat, Scotland; Armagh, Cleveland. (v. Ventosicola, Mudd.)

On Hamatococca. Kildale Moor.

T. leucomelarium, Mudd. Man. p. 105; Sacc. Syll. 6605. On Borrera. Cork.

T. rimosicolum, Leight., Sacc. Syll. 6606.

On Diplotomma calcareum. Wrekin, Penhill, Yorks, Carlton Bank, Cleveland, Ben Lawers, Appin, Killarney, Galway.

GEN. 3. AMPHISPHŒRIA. Sporidia coloured.

- * Amphisphærella. Sporidia continuous.
 - ** GENUINA. Sporidia uniseptate.

A. ventosaria, Linds. Sacc. Syll. 2761. On Lecanora ventosa. Lochnagar.

** MELANOMMA. Sporidia 2-3 septate.

A. Jenynsii, B. & Br., Sacc. Syll. 3232.

On wood. Bottisham, King's Cliffe, Batheaston.

A. obliterans, B. & Br., Sacc. Syll. 3233; Hdbk. 2621. On fir. Forres, N.B.

** Sporidia 4 or many septate.

A. brachythele, B. & Br., Sacc. Syll. 3269; Hdbk. 2609.
 On elder. Batheaston, Gopsall, Chislehurst.

*** Trematosphæria. Perithecia large, sporidia 3 or multiseptate.

A. pertusa, Pers., Sacc. Syll. 3285; Hdbk. 2604.

On wood. Bishop's Wood, Epping.

A. anglica, Sacc. Syll. 3286. On ash. King's Lynn.

A. melina, B. & Br., Sacc. Syll. 3294.

On ash. Batheaston.

A. lunariæ, Curr., Grev. xvi., 92. On decorticated branches of ash.

*** Caryospora. Sporidia very large, apiculate.

A. callicarpa, Curr., Sacc. Syll. 3313; Hdbk. 2605. On wood. Kidbrooke. GEN. 4. WINTERIA, Rehm. Perithecia rather soft, green or rufous.

* Sporidia septate, pale.

W. ordinata, Fr., Sacc. Syll. 3680; Hdbk. 2583. On naked oak wood. Little Heath, Essex.

BERKELEY AND CURTIS TYPES.

By M. C. COOKE.

Some of the junior mycologists of the United States are committing a dangerous mistake in their estimate of the Curtis herbarium. and the relation of the late Dr. Curtis to the species published under the joint names of Berkeley and Curtis. The cardinal error consists in regarding the Curtisian specimens as the types, which some are now insisting upon, but which they are not, and only a misapprehension of the signification of a "type" can have led to this assumption. Dr. Curtis collected the specimens it is true, but he did not describe them; all the diagnoses were drawn up and published by the Rev. M. J. Berkeley, in their joint names, from specimens communicated by Dr. Curtis. Hence the only legitimate type specimens are those upon which the diagnoses were constructed, and which are preserved in the Berkeley Herbarium. Wherever it may occur that specimens in the Curtis Herbarium do not accord with those in the Berkeley Herbarium no one can attempt to deny that the specimens in the Berkeley Herbarium must be regarded as the type, and no other. There cannot possibly be two types, and the genuine type must essentially be that upon which the diagnosis is founded. It is folly to introduce anything like "spread-eagleism" into a question of this kind, but far wiser to accept facts as they stand, and recognize the Curtisian Herbarium as containing presumed duplicates of specimens sent to Berkeley and constituted by him the types of certain species, at the same time admitting that when they differ this is not to be attributed to error in the diagnosis, but to an error on the part of Dr. Curtis, whom we know, from experience of specimens communicated to ourselves, did not pay sufficient regard to microscopical characters to be absolutely trustworthy. No one who knows anything of the history of the Berkeley and Curtis connection can dispute this statement of the facts, and we contend that consequently no fictitious value should be given to the Curtisian specimens, nor any preference accorded to them when they happen to differ from the only true and veritable type-specimens, upon which the diagnoses were based. Nothing could have originated such an error as we have intimated above, save an ignorance of the initial facts, which we have now endeavoured to set forth in a clear and impartial manner, in the hope that all misapprehension may thereby be removed.

AUSTRALASIAN FUNGI.

By M. C. COOKE.

(Continued from Vol. XVI., p. 114.)

Those indicated by an asterisk (*) communicated by Baron F. Von. Mueller.

* Agaricus (Entoloma) galbineus, Cke. & Mass.

Sulphur colour. Pileus rather fleshy, convex then expanded, obtusely umbonate (1-2 in. broad), umbo darker, almost saffroncolour, smooth, moist; stem equal, fibrillose, fistulose (2 in. long, 2-3 lines thick). Gills slightly adnexed, ventricose, pallid. Spores rosy, globose, angular, 10μ diam.

On the ground. Walhalla (Tisdall 48).

* Agaricus (Leptonia) quinquecolor, Cke. & Mass.

Pileus membranaceous, convex, smooth, slightly virgate with radiating pink fibrils; margin yellowish, disc brownish brick-red (about 1 in. diam.), stem cylindrical, equal, or slightly attenuated upwards, fistulose, bay brown, whitish flocculose at the base (2 in. long, 1 line thick), usually cæspitose; gills sinuately adnate, rosy. Spores globose, rough, 8-10 μ .

On black loam. Walhalla (Tisdall 54).

* Agaricus (Hebeloma) arenicolor, Cke. & Mass.

Pileus fleshy, convex then plane, smooth, rather viscid, dingy ochre or sand colour ($1\frac{1}{2}$ -2 in. broad). Stem cylindrical, subfibrillose, smooth, same colour as the pileus, fistulose, terminating at the base in a conical root (3 in. long, $\frac{1}{4}$ in. thick), gills adnate, rounded behind, scarcely crowded, ventricose, pallid, then ochraceous. Spores ellipsoid, dingy umber, 20×10 -12 μ .

On the ground. Near Melbourne (Tisdall 44, 49).

* Calocera (Ramosæ) digitata, Cke. & Mass.

Branched (1- $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. high), tough, even, pallid; trunk thin, smooth, twice or three times furcate, branches expanded at the apex in a spathulate manner, each bearing from 3 to 5 delicate scyphoid processes arranged like fingers on the open hand. Spores white, elliptical, 5-6 \times 3 μ .

On damp logs. Fern gully, Dandenong (French, No. 2).

Didymium australis, Massee.

Sporangium globose or slightly compressed, indistinctly umbilicate, covered with a dense white layer of crystals of lime which breaks away in patches; stem elongated, erect, filiform, slightly thickened downwards, bright brown; threads of capillitium colourless, slender, variously branched; spores globose, smooth, dingy, purple-brown, $10\text{-}11~\mu$ diam.

Gregarious. Stem 3-4 mm. long; sporangium about 2 mm.

broad × 1-5 mm. high.

On old Auricularia. Brisbane (Bailey 596).

Ustilago sclerotiformis, Cke. & Mass.

Black, compact, obovate, large (2 mm. diam), never becoming powdery, spores subglobose, dark umber (16-18 μ diam.). Epispore granulose.

Absorbing the ovaries of Uncinia caspitosa. Taheraite, New

Zealand (Kirk. 321).

Somewhat resembling *U. marmorata*, B., but that species has spores distinctly verrucose, in the type specimens, although included by F. de Waldheim with the smooth-spored species.

* Cucurbitaria (Melanomma) plagia, Cke. & Mass.

Perithecia densely crowded, forming oblong erumpent clusters, which are at length almost superficial, and confluent in large patches, 2-3 in. long; the individual perithecia are globose, but compressed and deformed by crowding, black, shining, smooth. Ostiolum minute. Asci cylindrical; sporidia in one or two series, lanceolate, triseptate, pale-brown $(40-45 \times 10-12 \ \mu)$.

On living twigs of Cassinia aculeata. Port Phillip (French).

Resembling Otthiella morbosa in habit.

Fusicolla incarnata, Cke. & Mass.

Epiphyllous. Pustules small, gregarious, seated on paler spots, convex, rosy flesh colour, here and there confluent (scarce $\frac{1}{4}$ mm. diam.), somewhat gelatinous, or scattered over the petioles, and midribs. Conidia cylindrical, rounded at the ends, nucleate or granular, hyaline, straight, simple, $16\text{--}20 \times 4\text{--}5 \mu$. Sporophores very short and deciduous.

On dead coriaceous leaves. Brisbane (Bailey 597).

BRITISH HYPHOMYCETES.

(Concluded from Vol. XVI., p. 113.)

ORD. 3. STILBEÆ.

Ser.* HYALOSTILBEÆ.

Stilbum melleum, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. iv., 2667. On bark. Congresbury.

Stilbum orbiculare, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 2676.
On Lindhladia effusa Avienore Rothiemurchas N.R.

On Lindbladia effusa. Aviemore, Rothiemurchas, N.B. Stilbum tomentosum, Schr. Sacc. Syll. 2677.

On Trichia. Scotland, Scarboro', Forden, Shere, Hitchen, Twycross, Carlisle, Apethorpe, Haywood Forest.

Stilbum erythrocephalum, Ditm. Sacc. Syll. 2680. On dung. Scarboro', Orton Wood.

Stilbum vulgare, Tode. Sacc. Syll. 2682.

On rotten wood. Scotland, Scarboro', Berwick.

Stilbum pellucidum, Schrad. Sacc. Syll. 2685. On wood and rotten fungi. Appin. Stilbum acicula, Sacc. Sacc. Syll. 2691. On herb stems. Apethorpe.

Stilbum vaporarium, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 2698. On wood in stoves. Kew Gardens.

Stilbum fasciculatum, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 2699. On wood. Swansea, Wrekin, Kew.

Stilbum fimetarium, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 2710. On dung. Scarboro', Shrewsbury, Downton, near Ludlow, Cowarne Court, Elmstead, Ringmer, Epping, King's Lynn.

Stilbum aurantiacum, Bab. Sacc. Syll. 2714. On branches. Leicestershire, Salisbury, Shrewsbury.

Stilbum turbinatum, Tode. Sacc. Syll. 2718. On trunks. Twycross.

Stilbum ranigenum (B. & Br. = Acremonium). Sacc. Syll. 2719. On rotten branches. Monkton Farleigh.

Stilbum tetraonum, Cke.
On grouse dung. Rannoch.

Stilbum citrinellum, Che. & Mass. Grev. xvi., 81. On leaves of Lycopodium. Kew.

Stilbum nigripes (Carm.), Cke. Grev. xvi., 81. On oak leaves. Appin.

Pilacre faginea, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 2748. On rotten beech. Wiltshire.

Pilacre Petersii, B. & C. Sacc. Syll. 2752.

On rotten hornbeam. Epping Forest, Hainault Forest, Lyndhurst.

Coremium glaucum, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 2758. On rotting fruit. Edinburgh.

Coremium coprophilum, B. Sacc. Syll. 2753. On rabbit's dung. Kew.

Isaria farinosa, Dicks. Sacc. Syll. 2772.
On chrysalids. Hampstead, Darenth, Dinmore, Weybridge,
Blackheath, Shere, Carlisle, Bristol.

Isaria crassa, Link. Sacc. Syll. 2774. On chrysalids. Kent.

Isaria floccosa, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 2778. On pupe of Bombyx Jacobæa.

Isaria sphingum, Schw. Sacc. Syll. 2781.
On dead Lepidoptera.
On pupæ of Diptera. Kincardineshire.

Isaria arachnophila, Ditm. Sacc. Syll. 2791. On spiders. Scotland.

Isaria felina, D.C. Sacc. Syll. 2793. On cat's dung. London.

Isaria brachiata, Batsch. Sacc. Syll. 2800. On fungi. Apethorpe.

Isaria citrina, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 2801. On trunks and decaying fungi. Jedburgh. Isaria intricata, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 2802.

On dead Stereum. Glamis, N.B., Scarboro', King's Cliffe, Lucknam, Exeter.

Isaria umbrina, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 2807.

On Hypoxylon coccineum. Batheaston, Sydenham, Dinmore.

Isaria microscopica, Grev. Sacc. Syll. 2808. On Trichia clavata. Auchindenny, N.B.

Isaria Friesii, Mont. Sacc. Syll. 2809. On bark. Milton, Apethorpe, Spye Park.

Isaria albida (Fr.). Sacc. Syll. 2814. On rotten wood. King's Cliffe.

Isaria spumarioides, Cooke. Sacc. Syll. 2816. On bark. Knowsley.

Isaria tomentella, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 2832. On leaves. Ann. Nat. Hist. No. 1711.

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Isaria fuciformis, Berk. Sacc. Syll. 2839.
On grasses. Ashford, Kent.

Isaria puberula, Berk. Sacc. Syll. 2840. On dahlia flowers. Apethorpe.

Isaria muscigena, Cooke & Mull. Grev. XVI., 81. On moss. Eastbourne.

Ceratium hydnoides, A. & S. Sacc. Syll. 2845. On rotten wood. Scotland, Scarboro', Dinmore, Carlisle, Oldham, Appin, Tansor (Notts.), Holm Lacey.

Atractium flammeum, B. & R. Sacc. Syll. 2860. On bark. Penzance.

Ser.** Phæostilbeæ.

Sporocybe byssoides, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 2877.
On herb stems. Darenth, Shere, Forden, Batheaston, Apethorpe, Charmy Down, Shrewsbury.

Sporocybe brassicæcola, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 2878. On cabbage stalks. Batheaston.

Sporocybe cuneifera, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 2879. On cabbage stalks. Batheaston.

Sporocybe calicioides, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 2885. On beech trunks. (Scotland?).

Sporocybe atra (Desm.). Sacc. Syll. 2891. On grass. Isle of Wight.

Sporocybe Phillipsii, B. &. L. Sacc. Syll. 2894. On naked soil. Trefriew, N.W.

Graphium stilboideum, Corda. Sacc. Syll. 2896. On cabbage stems. Batheaston.

Graphium rigidum, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 2897. On rotten trunks. Glamis, N.B., Carlisle.

Graphium calicioides (B). C. & Mass. Grev. XVI., 11. On wood. Kew, Glamis. Graphium Desmazierii, Sacc. Syll. 2898.

On rotten trunks.

Graphium flexuosum, Mass. Sacc. Syll. 2902. On rotten wood. Scarboro'.

Graphium subulatum, Nees. Sacc. Syll. 2910.
On acorns and fir cones. Scotland, Scarboro', King's Cliffe.

Graphium Grovei, Sacc. Syll. 2911. On wood. Hampton in Arden.

Graphium Passerinii, Sacc. Syll. 2912. On Gynerium argenteum. Kew.

Graphium Stevensonii, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 2915. On rotten wood. Glamis, N.B.

Graphium griseum, Berk. Sacc. Syll. 2926. On herb stems. Kinrara, N.B.

Graphium glaucocephalum, Corda. Sacc. Syll. 2927. On nettle stems. Burnt Ash Lane (F. Currey).

Graphium, piliforme, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 2928. On herbs. Appin.

Graphium nigrum, Berk. Sacc. Syll. 2931. On culms of Eriophorum. Stibbington.

Graphium anomalum, Berk. Sacc. Syll. 2937. On dead branches. King's Cliffe.

Graphium bicolor, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 2943. On trunks. Appin.

Graphium graminum, Che. & Mass. Grev. XVI., 11. On Gynerium. Kew.

Harpographium graminum, Che. & Mass. Grev. xvi., 81. On straw. Hampstead.

Stysanus stemonitis, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 2951. On trunks, herbs, &c. Greeshop, N.B., Chislehurst, Kew, Holloway.

Stysanus putredinis, Corda. Sacc. Syll. 2965. On rotten leaves. Glamis, N.B.

Stysanus clematidis, Fckl. Sacc. Syll. 2960. On clematis. Batheaston.

Graphiothecium parasiticum (Desm.). Sacc. Syll. 2971. On dead leaves. Dartford.

Arthrobotryum stilboideum, Ces. Sacc. Syll. 3986. On wood. St. Catharines.

Arthrobotryum atrum, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 2987. On herb stems. Charmy Down, Batheaston.

ORD. 4. TUBERCULARIEÆ.

Tubercularia vulgaris, Tode. Sacc. Syll. 3002. On branches. Very common.

Tubercularia granulata, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 3006. On Robinia, &c. Scotland.

- Tubercularia ligustri, Cke. Grev. xvi., 49. On Ligustrum. Kew.
- Tubercularia nigricans, Bull. Sacc. Syll. 3009. On Ulmus, &c. Jedburgh.
- Tubercularia euonymi, Roum. Sacc. Syll. 3013. On Euonymus. Kew.
- Tubercularia conorum, C. & M. Grev. XVI., 49. On fir cones. Carlisle.
- Tubercularia aquifolia, C. & M. Grev. xvi., 49. On holly leaves. Highgate.
- **Tubercularia æsculi**, Opiz. Sacc. Syll. 3014. On æsculus. Kew Gardens.
- **Tubercularia expallens**, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 3015. On asculus. Kew Gardens.
- **Tubercularia confluens,** Pers. Sacc. Syll. 3017. On salix and acer. Common.
- Tubercularia sambuci, Corda. Sacc. Syll. 3020. On Sambucus. Kew.
- Tubercularia versicolor, Sacc. Syll. 3036. On box twigs. King's Cliffe.
- **Tubercularia sarmentorum**, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 3042. On ivy. Neatishead, Batheaston.
- **Tubercularia herbarum,** Fr. Sacc. Syll. 3056. On herb stems.
- **Tubercularia brassicæ**, *Lib. Sacc. Syll.* 3057. On cabbage stalks. Isleworth.
- **Dendrodochium citrinum**, Grove. Sacc. Syll. 3083. On rotten pine wood. Burntgreen (Warw.).
- **Tuberculina persicina**, *Ditm. Sacc. Syll.* 3088. Parasitic on uredines. Dinmore.
- Illosporium roseum, Schreb. Sacc. Syll. 3100.
 On lichens. Scotland, Bungay, Hampstead, Wellington (Salop),
 Whitwick, Batheaston.
- **Illosporium coccineum**, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 3101. On lichens. Twycross.
- Illosporium corallinum, Rob. Sacc. Syll. 3102. On Parmelia parietina, &c. Shrewsbury.
- Illosporium carneum, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 3103. On Peltigera, &c. Moncrieffe, N.B., N. Wootton, Plymouth, Apethorpe.
- Illosporium Curreyi, Sacc. Syll. 3116 (Arthroderma, Berk.). On branches and leaves. Hereford.
- Egerita candida, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 3124. On wood. Scotland, Scarboro', Coed Coch, near Manchester, Spye Park, Twycross, Appin, Downton.
- Egerita virens, Carm. Grev. XVI., 81. On (birch?) bark. Appin.

Fusicolla Betæ, Bon. Sacc. Syll. 3142. On beetroot.

Sphacelia segetum, Lev. Sacc. Syll. 3147. On Sclerotium clavum.

Sphacelia typhina, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 3150. On Dactylis. Common form of Epichlöe.

Hymenula constellata, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 3170. On chips. Batheaston.

Hymenula rubella, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 3171. On Typha, Lincolnshire.

Hymenula Berkeleyi, Sacc. Syll. 3174 (punctiformis, B.). On larch. Batheaston.

Hymenula vulgaris, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 3157. On nettle stems. Twycross.

Hymenula pezizoides, Phil.
On pine leaves. Forres, N.B.

Cylindrocolla Urticæ, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 3190.

On nettle stems. Very common. Highgate, Eltham, Forden, Shere, Epping, Twycross, Shrewsbury, Thirsk, King's Cliffe, Audley End, Darenth, Tunbridge, Downton, Breenton.

Periola tomentosa, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 3219. On potatoes. King's Cliffe.

Volutella ciliata, A. & S. Sacc. Syll. 3223. On potato. Sanquhar, N.B., King's Cliffe.

Volutella roseola, Cooke. Sacc. Syll. 3230. On Billbergia. Glasnevin (I.).

Volutella hyacinthorum, Berk. Sacc. Syll. 3231. On bulbs. King's Cliffe, Dublin.

Volutella setosa, Grev. Sacc. Syll. 3235. On herb stems. Scotland, Appin, Dartford, Dupplin, N.B., Rotherwas, Credinhill.

[Volutella nivea, Sacc. Syll 3236 (= Psilonia, Fries).

On bark of Fagus. Is Adelges Fagi, according to authentic specimens.]

Volutella buxi, Corda. Sacc. Syll. 3237. On box leaves. King's Cliffe, Dorking, Whitehall.

Volutella gilva, Pers. Sacc. Syll. 3240. On putrid leaves. Southwick, Notts.

Volutella discoidea (B. & Br., sub. Psilonia), Sacc. Syll. 3246. On chips. Wilts, Chippenham.

Volutella melaloma, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 3252. On leaves of Carex. Spye Park.

Volutella arundinis, Desm. Sacc. Syll. 3261. On sheaths of reed. Spye Park.

Endodesmia glauca, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 3267. On cabbage stalks. Batheaston. Bactridium flavum, Kunze. Sacc. Syll. 3268. On rotten wood. Audley End, King's Lynn, Bristol, Ascot, Batheaston, King's Cliffe.

Bactridium acutum, B. & W. Sacc. Syll. 3275. On hymenium of Peziza. Glen Tilt, N.B.

Bactridium helvellæ, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 3276. On hymenium of Peziza. Batheaston.

Bactridium atrovirens, Berk. Sacc. Syll. 3278. On trunks. Apethorpe.

Fusarium sarcochroum, Desm. Sacc. Syll. 3281. On branches. Sydenham.

Fusarium pyrochroum, Desm. Sacc. Syll. 3282. On acorns. Kew.

Fusarium lateritium, Nees. Sacc. Syll. 3283. On branches. Scotland, Milton, King's Cliffe, Dinmore.

Fusarium viticola, Thum. Sacc. Syll. 3288. On Ampelopsis. Kew.

Fusarium tubercularioides, Corda. Sacc. Syll. 3299. On branches of raspberry.

Fusarium fœni, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 3306. On damp hay. Apethorpe.

Fusarium myosotidis, Che. Grev. XVI., 49. On leaves of Myosotis. Forden.

Fusarium inæquale, Awd. Sacc. Syll. 3310. On herbs.

Fusarium diffusum, Carm. Grev. XVI., 81. On stems of thistles. Appin (Carmichael).

Fusarium roseum, Link. Sacc. Syll. 3311.
On stems and leaves. Downton, Highgate, Neatishead, King's Cliffe, Apethorpe.

Fusarium brassicæ, Thum. Sacc. Syll. 3314. On cabbage stalks. Isleworth, Twycross.

Fusarium aurantiacum, Corda. Sacc. Syll. 3334*. On gourds. Apethorpe.

Fusarium cœruleum, Lib. Sacc. Syll. 3335. On potatoes.

Fusarium solani, Mart. Sacc. Syll. 3336. On potatoes. Common.

Fusarium heterosporum, Nees. Sacc. Syll. 3343. On grasses. Goole, Hereford, Batheaston.

Fusarium mininum, Fuckel. Sacc. Syll. 3345. On Poa pratensis. Isleworth.

Fusarium insidiosum, Berk. Sacc. Syll. 3346. On Agrostis. Gard. Chron. 1860, p. 480.

Fusarium bulbigenum, C. & M. Grev. xvi., 49. On Narcissus bulbs. London.

Fusarium filisporum, Cooke. Sacc. Syll. 3348. On Orthotrichum. Eastbourne. Fusarium obtusum, Cooke. Sacc. Syll. 3353. On Diatrype. Forres, N.B.

Fusarium epimyces, Cooke. On Scleroderma. Reading.

Fusarium mucophytum, Sm. Gard. Chron. 1884, p. 245. On Agarics. Huddersfield.

* Sub.-Gen. Fusisporium, Link.

Fusarium roseolum, Steph. Sacc. Syll. 3363. On potatoes. Forden, Bristol.

Fusarium bacilligerum, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 3370. On leaves of Rhamnus alaternus. Spye Park (Wilts).

Fusarium heteronemum, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 3374. On rotting pears. Batheaston.

Fusarium incarcerans, Berk. Sacc. Syll. 3383. In capsules of Orthotrichum. Handbook, No. 1868.

Fusarium Kuhnii, Sacc. Syll. 3384. On lichens and mosses.

Fusarium salicinum, Corda. Sacc. Syll. 3391. On willow branches. Twycross.

Fusarium rhabdophorum, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 3395. On branches on Valsa. Forres, N.B.

Fusarium cucumerinum, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 3410. On rotting cucumbers. Sibbertoft.

Fusarium equisetorum (Lib.). Sacc. Syll. 3416. On Equisetum. Oswestry, N. Wootton.

Fusarium aurantiacum, Lk. Sacc. Syll. 3428. On herbs. King's Cliffe, Twycross.

** Sub.-Gen. Leptosporium, Sacc.

Fusarium translucens, B. & Br. Sacc. Syll. 3436. On larch branches. Glamis, N.B.

Fusarium minutulum, Corda. Sacc. Syll. 3441. On chips of hazel. St. Catherine's, Bath.

Pionnotes uda (Berk.). Sacc. Syll. 3468. On trunks. King's Cliffe.

Pionnotes betæ (Desm.). Sacc. Syll. 3470. On beetroot. Scotland, Scarboro', Apethorpe.

Microcera coccophila, Desm. Sacc. Syll. 3473. On dead cocci on branches. Penzance.

TUBERCULARIÆ DEMATIEÆ.

Epicoccum vulgare, Ca. Sacc. Syll. 3482. On stems. Kidbrooke.

Epicoccum granulatum, Penz. Sacc. Syll. 3484. On Sorghum cernuum. Kew.

Epicoccum neglectum, Desm. Sacc. Syll. 3483.
On grasses. Scotland, Credinhill, Scarboro', Dublin, Goole, Kew, Wiltshire, Shrewsbury.

- Epicoccum diversisporum, Preuss. Sacc. Syll. On reeds. Kew.
- Epicoccum herbarum, Ca. Sacc. Syll. 3489. On leaves. Kew.
- Epicoccum micropus, Corda. Sacc. Syll. 3492. On Lactarius. Ascot.
- Epicoccum equiseti, Berk. Sacc. Syll. 3504. On Equisetum. Fineshade.
- **Epicoccum purpurascens**, Sacc. Syll. 3481. On Gynerium. Kew.
- Epidochium atrovirens, Fr. Sacc. Syll. 5338. On branches. Shere, Haywood Common, Leatherhead.
- Myrothecium roridum, Tode. Sacc. Syll. 3550. On dead leaves. Appin.
- Myrothecium inundatum, Tode. Sacc. Syll. 3552. On dead Agarics. Appin, Downton.
- Exosporium tiliæ, Link. Sacc. Syll. 3569. On Tilia. King's Lynn.

EXOTIC FUNGI.

By M. C. Cooke.

Marasmius (Calopodes) jubæacola, Cke.

Pileo submembranaceo, convexo-expanso, obtuse umbonato, demum depresso, subrugoso, densissime furfuraceo, opaco, albido (circa 1 unc. lata), stipite deorsum subattenuato, fuligineo, sursum albido, striatulo, tenui, curvato, farcto (1 unc. long, 2 mm. crass), lamellis distantibus, latis, venoso-connexis, adnato-decurrentibus, albis; sporis clavatis, magnis $22 \times 6 \mu$.

On trunk of Jubaa. Jardin des Plantes, Paris.

Allied to M. vaillantii and M. inoderma, but differing essentially in the very large clavate spores, very unusual in this genus.

Tilletia verrucosa, Che. & Mass.

Ovariis inflatis, pallido-fuscis. Sporis globosis, solitariis, fuscis (15-16 μ diam.), episporio verrucoso, verrucis obtusis.

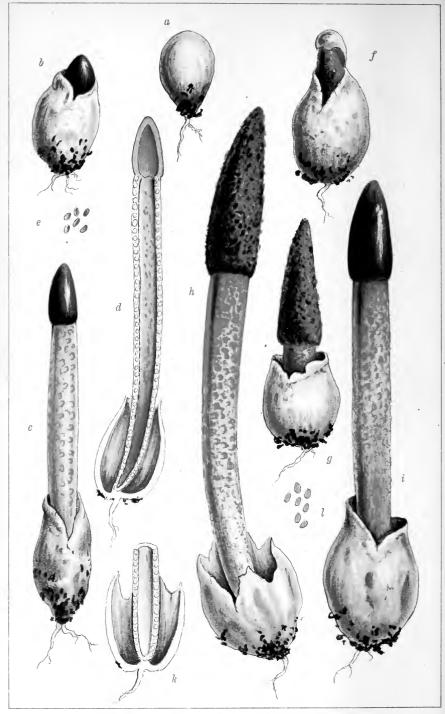
In the ovaries of Panicum miliare (Kirk). Between Lupata and Tette, Tropical Africa.

Hydnum (Mesopus) aspratum, Berk.

Pileo carnoso, applanato, demum depresso, subinfundibuliformi, (5-6 unc. diam. vel ultra) azono, squamoso, umbrino. Stipite valido, crasso 3 in. long, 1 unc. crasso, quali vel deorsum attenuato, sulcato, pallido, glabro; aculeis acutis, decurrentibus, tenuibus, albofuscescentibus.

On the ground. Japan. Edible.





a-e mutinus caninus. f-l mutinus bambusinus.

MUTINUS BAMBUSINUS, IN BRITAIN.

Although the circumstance is somewhat unusual and inexplicable, it is nevertheless true that a genuine tropical species of *Phallus* has lately made its appearance in the open ground, amongst young plum trees in Noble's Nursery at Sunningdale. This particular species is *Mutinus bambusinus* (Zoll.), formerly called *Cynophallus bambusinus*, but changed in favour of an older generic name which has priority. How far it may be advisable to supersede a well-known, and generally-accepted, generic name in favour of another, simply on the ground of its antiquity, is a question we need not discuss.

By the kindness of Sir J. D. Hooker we examined a fresh specimen of this Mutinus, and were struck at once with the very strong and fætid odour which escaped from the box in which it was enclosed, whereas our common Mutinus caninus is almost inodorous. The rosy stem and more elongated pileus were also striking. This species, of which a drawing and specimens may be found in the Berkeley Herbarium, from Java, was originally found and named by Zollinger, from its habit of growing at the base of bamboo clumps, in that island, and we are not aware of any other locality until it turned up so unexpectedly at Sunningdale. Whether the mycelium was imported with some of the exotics found in a large nursery and thus established itself may be probable, since it is doubtful whether it ever would have been found in this country except under such circumstances. The differences between the two species may be gathered from the following diagnoses:—

Mutinus caninus, Huds. Fl. Angl. 11., 630.

Whole fungus about 15 cm. high, inodorous. Stem white, or reddish, the walls consisting of one stratum of cavities. Capitulum short $(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{6})$ of the whole fungus), acutely digitaliform, flesh coloured, walls of the internal surface foveolate, apex pervious or impervious. Mass of spores dingy olive. Spores $6 \times 4 \mu$.

On the ground.

PLATE 173. Fig. a, in the egg state; b, just emerging; c, mature fungus; d, section of same; e, spores \times 400.

Mutinus bambusinus, Zoll. Syst. Verz. (1854), p. 11.

Whole fungus about 10 cm. high. Stem pallid rubiginous (or rosy), 6-8 mm. thick, the walls containing one stratum of cavities. Capitulum long (half the entire length), acutely conical, dingy purple, externally rugose, impervious at the apex. Mass of spores sooty olive, spores $6\times 4~\mu$.

On the ground; originally at the base of bamboo clumps.

PLATE 173. Fig. f, emerging from the volva; g, further advanced; h, i, mature fungus; k, section of base; l, spores \times 400. Figs. f, g, and k from drawings of Javan specimens, by Kurz.; h and i from British specimens; fig. h from drawings by G. Massee.

MEMORABILIA.

SIPHOPTYCHIUM CASPARYI.—Having been called to account for our note on this species in Ellis' N. A. Fungi, we have examined it again, and find, as far as our copy is concerned, that the note was correct. There is no columella, and the spores are about half the diameter of those in true specimens sent by Dr. Rex and Dr. Farlow. Why the specimens are wrong in our copy is not for us to explain, and we can only rest upon the fact.

Corticium crocicreas, B. & C.—The specimens issued in Ellis' N. A. Fungi, No. 2021, cannot be the true species, the microscopical characters of which are unmistakable and almost unique.—G. M.

Corticium dryinum, B. & C., in Ellis' N. A. Fungi, No. 2020, as far as our specimens go, is Corticium xanthellum, B.—G. M.

HYMENOCHÆTE SPRETA, *Peck*, on the faith of the specimens No. 1936 in Ellis' N. A. Fungi is the same as *Hymenochæte unicolor*, Berk. & Curt., in Herb. Berkeley, from Cuba.

RETICULARIA MAXIMA of Fuckel's Fungi Rhenani, No. 1473, is Amaurochæte atra (A. & S.).

TILMADOCHE COLUMBINA (Berk.), in Ellis' N. A. Fungi, No. 2087, is quite distinct from the type specimen of Didymium columbinum, B. & C., in Herb. Berkeley, No. 10767.—G. M.

Badhamia hyalina, P., in Ellis' N. A. Fungi, No. 1214, is the same as Badhamia papaveracea, Berk. & Rav.—G. M.

CRINULA PARADOXA, B. & Curt.—This is evidently not a fungus at all, but morbid cells, allied to Erineum.—G. M.

Sylloge Algarum.—Dr. J. B. de Toni has issued a prospectus of a proposed "Sylloge Algarum," similar in style and scope to the "Sylloge Fungorum" of Prof. Saccardo. He desires the names of subscribers, at the same price of one franc per sheet, addressed to Doct. J. B. de Toni, S. Moise, 1480, Venise (Italie).

Benthall's Drying Paper.—Those who attempt to dry and preserve sections of the fleshy Fungi know how desirable it is to obtain a good and thoroughly absorbent drying paper. As far as our experience extends we know of none which can surpass or compete successfully with Benthall's Drying Paper, now supplied by the publishers of the "Journal of Botany," West, Newman, and Co., of Hatton Garden. The extra thick quality is so durable that it may be used over and over again for years.

SACCARDO SYLLOGE-HYPHOMYCETES.

As we have been unable to trace the following species in the Index to Vol. IV. of the "Sylloge," we direct attention to them in order that they may be incorporated in the next "Appendix."

Cercospora adoxæ, Roum, Fungi Gall. No. 1873. Cercospora doronici, Pass. in Roum. F. Gall. 1873. Cercospora grisea, C. & E. Grevillea v., p. 49. Cercospora rhæi, Grog. in Roum. F. Gall. 2775. Cercospora Therryana, Roum. F. Gall. 2264. Cercospora calthæ, Cooke. Cercospora longissima, Cooke & Ellis. Heterosporium maculatum, Klotsch. in Herb. Kew. Dendryphium quadriseptatum, Cooke. Sporidesmium vermiforme, Riess. Fckl. F. Rhen. 76. Sporidesmium macluræ, Thum. Myc. Univ. 2074. Coniothecium anisoporum, Mont. Ann. Sci. Nat., 1849, 57. Conjothecium subglobosum, Cke. Stemphylium fuscescens. Rabh. F. Eur. 1174. Stemphylium polymorphum, Corda Ic. i., f. 119. Macrosporium abutilonis, Pass. in Speg. Dec. M. It. 58. Macrosporium canificans, Thum, Myc. An. 2280. Macrosporium chelidonii, Rabh. Unio. Itin. xxxvii. Macrosporium cæspitulosum, Rabh. Unio. Itin. xxxii. Macrosporium elegantissimum, Rabh. Unio, Itin. xxxv. Macrosporium oleandri, Rabh. Unio. Itin. xxvii. Macrosporium spaniotrichum, Rabh. Unio. Itin. xxix. Macrosporium gramineum, Cooke in Rav. Amer. Ex. 606. Macrosporium Ravenelii, Thum. Myc. Unio. 2071. Macrosporium rubi, Ellis in N. Am. Fun. 544. Macrosporium scirpi, Lasch. in Roum. F. Gall. 1994. Macrosporium Zimmermanni, Roum. F. Gall. 396. Gonytrichum fulvum, Ellis N. Am. Fungi 657. Dicoccum pulchrum, Thum. Myc. Univ. 1878. Steirochæte solani, Casp. in Klot. Hb. Myc. 1980. Sporodum asperum, Ces. in Rabh. F. Eur. 785. Conoplea olivacea, Pers. Syn. Fung. 234. Conoplea Eryngii, Pers. Myc. Eur. i., 11. Circinotrichum murinum, Desm. Crypt. Ex. ii., 5. Gyrothrix pannosa, Ces. in Klot. Hb. Myc. 273. Coniosporium arnicæ, Libert Exs. 382. Coniosporium circinans, Fr. Sys. Myc. iii., 257. Cladosporium cæspiticium, Rabh. F. Eur. 579. Cladosporium chætomium, Cke. Cladosporium diaphanum, Thum. Myc. Un. 1868. Cladosporium dracenatum, Thum. Myc. Un. 1869. Cladosporium gleditschiæ, Cke. in Rav. Amer. Exs. 297.

Cladosporium microporum, Rabh. Unio. Itin. xlii.

Cladosporium obtectum, Rabh. Unio. Itin. xxxvi.

Cladosporium pelliculosum, B. & C.

Cladosporium subnodosum, Cke. in Rav. Amer. Ex. 294.

Cladotrichum simplex, Cke.

Clasterosporium subulatum, C. & Peck.

Clasterosporium herculeum, Ellis N. A. F. 542.

Helminthosporium avenaceum, Curt.

Helminthosporium chyocarpum, Ca. Fckl. F. R. 1628.

Helminthosporium collabendum, Cke.

Helminthosporium gramineum, Rabh. Hb. Myc. 332.

Helminthosporium Libertianum, Roum. F. Gall. 2894.

Helminthosporium minimum, Cke.

Helminthosporium palmetto, Gerard.

Helminthosporium resinaceum, Cke.

Helminthosporium reticulatum, Cke. F. Britt. i., 360.

Helminthosporium congestum, B. & C.

Ramularia apiospora, Speg. Dec. Myc. Ital. 105.

Fusidium foliorum, West, v. Lavandulæ, Thum. F. Austr. 887.

Fusidium stachydis, Pass. in Thum. Myc. Un. 1565.

Ramularia verbasci, Fckl. Thum. F. Aust. 1176.

Ramularia salviæ, Roum. F. Gall. 1394. Ramularia stellariæ, Rabh. F. Eur. 1466.

Ramularia necans, Pass. in Thum. Myc. Un. 1669.

Ramularia montana, Speg. Dec. Myc. Ital. 104.

Ramularia loti, Schrot. in Herb. Thumen.

Torula opaca, Cke. in Ellis N. A. Fungi 759.

Torula salicis, Fckl. F. Rhen. 1622.

Verticillium Therryanum, Roum. F. Gall. 2432.

Verticillium Vizei, Berk. in Vize Microjungi No. 247.

Verticillium puniceum, Cke. & Ellis.

Nematogonum simplex, Bon. Fckl. F. Rhen. 149.

Dactylium tenellum, Fr. Sys. Myc. iii., 415.

Dactylium tenuissimum, Berk. Roum. F. Gall. 3198.

Botrytis brunneola, Rabh. Hb. Myc. 771.

Botrytis cubensis, B. & C.

Botrytis sonchicola, Rabh. Hb. Myc. 175.

Botrytis atrofumosa, C. & E.

Sepedonium armeniacum, B. & C.

Sporotrichum resinæ, Fr.

Sporotrichum papyraceum, Fckl. F. Rhen. 2109.

Sporotrichum nitens (Link.), Desm. Crypt. Ex. 1841.

Sporotrichum foliicolum, Link.

Sporotrichum fallax, Libert Crypt. Exs. 187.

Myxonema assimile (Corda), Rabh. F. Eur. 280.

Fusidium leptospermum, Pass. in Speg. Dec. M. I. 54.

Fusidium knautii, Thum.

Fusidium vaccinii, Fckl. F. Rhen. 220, 221.

Fusidium thalictri, Thum. in Herb. Thumen.

Fusidium salicis, Fckl. Symb. Myc. 370. Monilia quadrifida, Pers. Myc. Eur. No. 11. Monilia Libertiana, Roum. F. Gall. 2887. Cylindrium minutissimum, Rabh. Unio. Itin. xxiv. Oidium farinosum, Cke. Grev. xvi., 10. Oidium radiosum, Libert Crypt. Exs. 285. Oidium cratægi, Grog. in Roum. F. Gall. 881. Oidium cydoniæ, Pass. in Thum. Myc. Univ. 1667. Oidium fusisporioides, Fr. Sys. Myc. iii., 431. Oidium laurocerasi, Bert. Rev. Mycol., Oct., 1880. Oidium obtusum, Thum. Myc. Univ. 289. Oidium orobi, Thum. F. Austr. 539. Oidium euphorbiæ, Thum. Oidium succisæ, Karl. Rabh. F. Eur. 791. Haplotrichum buxi (Lib.), Roum. F. Gall. 1446. Aspergillus sulphureus, Desm. Crypt. Exs. 554. Aspergillus nigriceps, B. & C. Sterigmatocystis agaricini, Speg. MSS. Haplaria Ellisii, Cke.

The following also are open to correction:-

Torula ovalispora, Berk., is a true Torula. Heterosporium echinulatum, Berk., grows upon Monocotyledons, and is distinct from H. exasperatum.

1721 Cladosporium pallidum, \vec{B} . \hat{g} . C. = Cercospora.

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SYNOPSIS PYRENOMYCETUM.

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Fam. 11. LOPHIOSTOMACEÆ. Perithecia subsuperficialia, ostioli compresso, plus minusve lato, rimoso.

GEN. 1. LOPHIOSPHÆRA, Trev. Sporidia oblonga v. fusoidea, hyalina.

A. Sporidis uniseptatis, muticis.

3529. viticola, Sacc. ... 5409 3534. intricata, Nke. ... 7518

3530. querceti, S. & S. ... 5407 3535. Beckhausii, Nke. 7519

3531. lignicola, Sacc. ... 5408 3536. perpusilla, Sacc. ... 5410

3532. hysterioides, Schwz. 5523 3537. schizostoma, Mont. 5406

3533. vigheffulensis, Pass. ... 7344

B. Lambottiella. Sporidiis uniseptatis, appendiculatis.

3538. pulveracea, S. ... 5414 3541. Fuckelii, Sacc. ... 5415 3539. heterostoma, Ell. \mathring{g} 3542. anaxæa, Sacc. ... 5411

Ev. ... 7520 3543. glacialis, Rehm. ... 5412

3540. bonariensis, Speg. 5413

C. LOPHIOTRICHA. Peritheciis pilosis, sporidiis uniseptatis.

3544. viburni, Rich. ... 7345

D. LOPHIOTREMA. Sporidiis 2-pluriseptatis.

* Sporidiis muticis.

3545. simile, Nke. ... 7521 3555. loniceræ, Fab. ... 5421 3546. hederæ, Fckl. ... 5416 3556. cotini, Fab. ... 5422 3547. recedens, Sch. & S. 7346 3557. rubidum, Sacc. ... 7348 3548. duplex, K. ... 5417 3558. littorale, Speq. ... 5423

=corticivora, Rehm. 3559. coryli, Fab. ... 5424 3549. Notarisii, Nke. ... 7522 3560. glandium, Fab. ... 5425

3550. leucosporum, Nke. 7523 3561. stenogramma, D.

3551. nucula, Fr. ... 5419 R. & M. ... 5426 3552. Cookei, Nke. ... 7524 3562. præmorsum, Lasch. 5427

3553. pallidum, Ell. ... 7347 3563. hungaricum, Rehm. 6178

3554. crenatum, Pers. ... 5420 3564. semiliberum, Desm. 5428

3566. pusillum, Fckl 5430 3 3567. artemisiæ, Fab 5431 3 3568. sexnucleatum, Cke. 5432 3 3569. scrophulariæ, Pck. 5433 3 3570. thymi, Fab 5434 3 3571. vagabundum, S 5435 3 3572. emergens, K 7349	3575. ampelinum, Rehm. 5438 3576. pygmæum, S 5439 3577. cadubriæ, Sp 5440 3578. alpigenum, Fckl. 5441 3579. massarioides, Sacc. 5442 3580. spireæ, Peck 5443 3581. Thumenianum, Sp. 5444 3582. Mollerianum, Wint. 7350 3583. socotrense, Cke., Trans. Roy. Soc. Edin., 1888
** VIVIANELLA. Sporidiis appendiculatis.	
3584. sedi, Fckl 5445 3585. affine, Sp 5446 3586. cristatum, Fab 5447 3587. angustilabrum, B. & B 5448	v. genistarum, S. 3588. Winteri, S 5449 3589. auctum, S 5450
** LOPHIONEMA. Sporie	diis filiformibus, septatis.
3590. vermisporum, Ellis 5552	3591. crenatum, Schwz.
GEN. 2. LOPHIOSTO	MA. Sporidia fusca.
* Lophiella. Spo	
3592. cristata, <i>Pers.</i> 5397	
	poridia bilocularia.
3593. montellicum, Sacc. 5398 3594. vicinum, S 5399 3595. vicinissimum, Sp. 5400 3596. Bellunense, Sp 5401 3597. vicinellum, S 5402	3598, tuvutense, Sn 5403
*** GENUINA. Sporidia 3-pluriseptata.	
A. Eu-lop	hiostoma.
† Sporidia	triseptata.
\$\frac{\gamma}{Ev.} \ldots 7351\$ \$3603. quadrinucleatum, \$K. \ldots 5451\$ \$3604. rhopaloides, \$Sacc. 5452\$ \$3605. Barbeyanum, \$S.\$\frac{\gamma}{G} R. 7352\$	3611. cultum, Nke 7527 3612. corni, Pass 7353 3613. viridarium, Cke 5457 3614. isomerum, Nke 7528 3615. triseptatum, Peck. 5458 3616. rubicolum, Nke 7529 3617. subcollapsum, Ell.
3607. cæspitosum, Fckl. 5454 3608. argentinum, Sp 5455 3609. demissum, Nke 7526	$\S Ev.$

3621. syringæ, Fab 5461	3626. granulosum, Cr 5466
3622. juniperi, Fab 5462	3627. Desmazierii, S. & S. 5467
	3628. insculptum, Rehm. 5468
3625. rhizophilum, B. &	3630. floridanum, Ell &
C. 5465	Ev. 7356
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3631. macrostomoides, <i>Not.</i> 5469 3632. perversum, <i>Not.</i> 5470	3651. Stuartii, Fab 5485
Not 5469	3652. arundinis, Fr 5486
3632. perversum, Not. 5470	3653. brachypodii, <i>Fab.</i> 5487
= quercini, Rehm.	3654. crista-galli, <i>D. & M.</i> 5488
3633. pseudo macrosto-	3655. collinum, Sp 5489
mum, S 5471	3656. berberidis, <i>Nke.</i> 7530
= Lojkanum, Rehm.	
= Lojkanum, Reim.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
3634. myriocarpum, Fckl. 5418	3658. vexans, Nke 7532
3635. Fleischakii, Awd.	3659. anisomerum, Nke. 7533
(sec. Winter)	3660. galeopsidis, <i>Nke</i> 7534
3636. oreophilum, Sp 5472	3661. spartii, Nke 7535
3637. pinastri, Nssl 5473	3662. biforme, Nke 7536
3638. turritum, C. & P. 5474	3663. galii, Nke 7537
3639. prominens, <i>Peck.</i> 5475	3662. biforme, Nke 7536 3663. galii, Nke 7537 3664. dipsaci, Nke 7538
3640. fibritectum, B 5476	3665. prominens, Nke 7539
3641. simile, Nke 5477	3666. palustre, Nke 7540
3642. subcorticalis, Fckl. 5408	3667. parvulum, <i>Nke.</i> 7541
3643. ericarum, <i>Fab.</i> 5478	3668. phragmitis, <i>Nke</i> . 7543
3644. scelestum, C. & E. 5479	3669. Sauteri, Nke 7543
2645 magragtomollum	3670. nigricans, Nke 7544
G 5490	2671. Nitables Take 7545
3645. macrostomellum,	3671. Nitschkei, <i>Lehm</i> . 7545
3040. mendax, <i>Not</i> 3401	3672. typhe, Nke 7546
3647. caulium, Fr 5482	3673. commutatum, Nke. 7547
3648. centranthi, Duby.	3674. ulicis, Nke 7548
3648. centranthi, <i>Duby</i> . 3649. vagans, <i>Fab</i> 5483 3650. characiæ, <i>Fab</i> 5484	3675. diaporthe, Nke 7549
3650. characiæ, <i>Fab.</i> 5484	3676. lappæ, Nke 7550
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vai	ua.
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3677. macrostomum, <i>Tode</i> 5490	3683. magnatum, C. & P. 5495
Tode 5490	3684. dolabriforme, <i>Fr.</i> 5494
3678. excipuliforme, Fr. 5491	3685. julii, Fab 5496 3686. elegans, Fab 5497 3687. salicum, Fab 5498
3679. congregatum, <i>Hark.</i> 7357	3686. elegans, Fab 5497
Hark 7357	3687. salicum, Fab 5498
3680. Balsamianum, Not. 5492	3688. ulmi, <i>Fab.</i> 5499 3689. Gaudefroyi, <i>Fab.</i> 5500
3681. pileatum, <i>Tode</i> 5493	3689. Gaudefroyi, <i>Fab.</i> 5500
3682. Bommerianum,	3690. macrosporum, Sp. 5501
3682. Bommerianum, S. § R 7358	
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3692. 3693. 3694. 3695. 3696.	insidiosum, $Desm.$ gramineum, $S.$ intermedium, $S.$ Niessleanum, $S.$ menthæ, $Kirch.$ roseotinctum, $Ell.$ $\S^*Ev.$ ruscicola, $Fab.$ D. Brigans	5502 5503 5504 5505 5506 7359 5507	3698. 3699. 3700. 3701. 3702. 3703. 3704.	rutæ, Fab silai, Fab cynopis, Fab appendiculatum, Fckl papillatum, Pass. bicuspidatum, Cke. simillimum, K idia caudata.	5509 5510 5511 7360 5512
3705.	caudatum, Fab	5514	3706.	dacryosporum, Fab.	5515
	E.	Speci	ies dub	ilpha.	
3708. 3709. 3710. 3711.	ventricosum, Pers. utriculus, Reb hysterinum, Wall. liberum, Tode cirrhosum, N subrugosum, Schw.	5516 5517 5518 5519 5520	3713. 3714. 3715.	truncatum, Pers. thapsi, Schwz variabile, Schwz abbreviatum, Schwz	5525
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NOTES AND QUERIES ON RUSSULÆ.

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Apology of some kind seems necessary for the introduction of technical papers at unseasonable times, but opportunity has for the past two years been exceptionally rare for the consideration of

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technical subjects at the Woolhope Foray, and although dinners and soirées may, in a sense, be degraded from their high office by such an interpolation, it is a deed of necessity which excuses the demoralization.

Opportunities for the discussion, face to face, amongst mycologists of points of difficulty are exceedingly rare, and indeed the present is almost the only chance from year to year of "settling up," so that it is almost too great a sacrifice to expect us to abandon it without a struggle. Into whatever branch of Natural History a person plunges, it is inevitable that the deeper he goes the more subtle will be the difficulties he encounters, and probably, at the same time, the keener will be his sense of the reconciliations which may be effected. Experience is a much more efficient guide than books, but this source of knowledge has no efficiency except for the individual, if driven to isolation, or condemned to a persistent monopoly of the results. It matters not that one has struggled with difficulties for years, until perhaps he sees bright glimpses of light through the darkness, if he is to die and make no sign. Labour will have been useless, save to him, if he fails to communicate to others his hopes and fears, his interpretations of dimly discerned facts, or his suspicions of accepted tradition. This may be received as the best apology which can be offered for an unwelcome intrusion, and, with such a prospect before us, for the succeeding ten minutes we can only advise the uninterested to close their eyes for that brief period, and sink into the oblivion of profound repose. It will be admitted, without proof, that the study of the genus of Russula, amongst Fungi of the Mushroom type, is one which has been regarded as about the most difficult. Of course there are difficulties everywhere, especially when no effort is made to surmount them, but the difficulties in the way of the determination of species, with any degree of personal satisfaction, in this peculiar genus must be tried to be appreciated. Cortinarius has its difficulties, for example, but they appear to dwindle in the face of those which beset Russula. This genus, nearly all the species of which were in the remote past lumped together under the one name of Agaricus integer, is remarkable in many particulars, but in none more than in the general sameness of habit, home, and structure, and the great variety of their coloration. None of the Agaricini present more brilliant colours, or in greater variety, and none perhaps less diversity in form. This seems to be an initial difficulty, for if form varies so little, and colour is not to be relied upon, how is determination to be accomplished? It may be affirmed that, at the outset, there is less difficulty in fixing the genus than in almost any other, for the merest tyro is soon able to declare this or that to be a Russula, when he would be puzzled over a Marasmius or a Cortinarius. With a Russula, then, pure and simple, there is no difficulty. No one ever encounters a difficulty of that sort, but when you ask "What Russula?" then you are face to face with the "cardinal sin." It is the determination of the species of Russula that puzzles the best of us. And why? Because of the absence of broad distinctive features which assist so much in other groups. There are no cæspitose species, for all are solitary. There are no lignicolous species, for all are terrestrial. There are no squamose or scaly species, for all are more or less smooth. Hence the characters by which one species may be distinguished from another in other groups are in this reduced to a minimum, so that they have to be supplemented by other and new distinctions which prevail here, but are not recognized, or but faintly elsewhere. Another cause of difficulty, in my mind, exists in the undue limitation of species or varieties. It is of no consequence whether one regards them as species, and another as varieties, the thing needed is a definite isolation of distinct forms, so that any species or individual met with can without difficulty be set in its proper place. The species recognized by Fries may all be good enough species as he understood them, but his diagnoses are often too general, and embrace too much for ordinary use. The average mycologist requires more than the diagnoses of Fries will give. In some instances, perhaps, the species will cover only a reasonable range, such as Russula fellea, Russula sanguinea, Russula lutea, Russula nigricans, and Russula depallens, with some others, but constantly individuals are met with, such as those named recently as Russula Barlæ, Russula punctata, Russula granulosa, Russula drimeia, which would puzzle anyone who attempted to place them under the species of Fries. No alternative exists, as it seems to us, but to increase the number of recognized forms if the identification of Russulæ is to be accomplished with anything like success by the average mycologist. Let it not be understood that we advocate an indiscriminate manufacture of new species, we would recommend that only such individuals should be referred to a species as the description will fairly cover, and that forms aberrant from these should be clearly recognized and indicated by definite

Here it may be inquired, What are the features to be taken into account in the characterization of species in the genus Russula? Perhaps on the answer to this question the gist of the subject There could be no objection to take one of the diagnoses of Fries and accept that as sufficient indication of the characters to be recognized. Bear in mind that we state expressly one of the "diagnoses" of Fries, leaving out all question as to the individuals which those diagnoses have hitherto been made to cover, because they have been made to cover at least twenty fairly good species, which have lately been separated, and may possibly include as many more. The characters seem to be the following, as they stand in Fries: - Taste-pileus, form and character (Fries always has excluded colour from the diagnosis of the pileus)-cuticlemargin-stem, without and within-gills-form, attachment and colour-and in some instances odour. Taking first for comment taste, and odour. It may be urged that these should be regarded

as accessory, rather than principal, or at least applied with judgment, and not absolutely. Because, there is no more feetid a species than R. fætens and no species so unmistakable, it remains without dispute that R. fætens would never be confounded by even a young mycologist, without smelling it, to anything else. Within the past ten years we have occasionally had specimens of R. fatens which had no fixtid odour (a fact which might be accounted for), but on the contrary were positively fragrant, as strong and as pleasant as the odour of Agaricus odorus, from which the odour could not be distinguished. This was corroborated this year in Epping Forest by Mr. Massee, where he remarked the same phenomenon. Apropos of odour, we encountered on one occasion a specimen of Phallus impudicus from which all the slimy green matter had disappeared, and all that was left was nearly as white as ivory and of a most pleasant odour, reminding one strongly of violets. Exception has been taken to this fact, when the circumstance has been alluded to, and although we have suffered under the imputation of "drawing the long bow" for fifteen years at least (when this experience was encountered), it will perhaps one day be admitted, by those who think they know everything that is possible for Nature to accomplish, that there really was once such a miracle performed as a Phallus with the odour of violets, as well

as Russula fætens resembling anise.

Odour must, therefore, always have some latitude, more especially those odours, the appreciation of which, like that of female beauty, resides so much in the nose and eyes of the spectator. There is hardly any odour associated with fungi, good, bad, or indifferent, in which more than two persons can be found at the same time to agree. Nearly all will admit the odour, but not the same odour. For example, there is an odour prevalent amongst Lactarii. Let anyone put it to the test. No. 1 says "odour of bugs," No. 2 says "fenugrec," No. 3 says "Ligusticum," No. 4 says "empyreumatic," No. 5 says "camphor," No. 6 diluted "asafætida," and so on through a considerable range of obscure odours, but never more than about two will accord in ascribing it to the same odour. If in odour, so also in taste, even more than odour, there must be catholicity. Russula rubra is very acrid, no doubt about it, when in a really prime condition. Then even the most inveterate smoker will confess it a thorough "pick me up" for its pungency. How, then, can we explain the fact that at Breinton some years since, and at Epping Forest this year, a Russula precisely identical in all external features, and those of a remarkable character, should to the taste prove as mild and pleasant as a new filbert. It improves the case very little to say that the mild Russula was figured by Krombholz, and called Russula atropurpurea, which Fries included as a variety of Russula integra at one time, and at another hinted it as a mild aberrant Russula emetica. Must taste go for nothing? Certainly that is not our opinion. But it should hardly supersede every and all other features. Here is a

case in point. Is Russula atropurpurea only a mild form of the acrid Russula rubra, with which it appears to accord in everything but taste, or are the two to be maintained as distinct upon the faith of one sole and single character? Let each be persuaded in his own mind, all we desire to contend for is this, that for the sake of the inexperienced mycologist, both of the present and future, such anomalies should not be ignored, but placed upon record, either as forms or varieties. As a general rule the distinctions "mild" and "acrid" hold fairly well both in Lactarius and Russula, and, we think, are as reasonably permanent as any other character, for absolute permanency is a dream of the past; "slowly acrid," "mild then acrid," will always suffer some interpretation akin to non-recognition, a sort of neutral character, of no intrinsic value. Faint odours and uncertain tastes are valueless, except to mislead, and this implies condemnation of the method adopted by some persons in making it to form part of their characteristic diagnosis of new species that its "odour reminds one of the rose," or "faintly aromatic," or "calling to mind the perfume of melilot." These are all very well to put in a foot note, but they are too volatile and uncertain for a diagnosis, and certainly are out of place in such a genus as Russula, where, with the single exception of Russula fatens, decided odours, except the fishy odour associated with decay, are generally conspicuous by their absence.

Unfortunately, throughout Russula, spore character is of the most limited value in specific identification. There is such a close similarity that the minute distinction of one or two micromillemetres is practically useless. The common type of a rough sub-globose spore of about 10 μ prevails, seldom, perhaps, completely globose, but seldom exceeding more than 1 to 2 μ in one direction over the other. The occasional occurrence of a species with entirely smooth spores, if confirmed at all ages, would be exceptional, and

add to the value of the character.

Colour of gills and spores require more careful consideration than some of us have given to them. The decided gills of Russula lutea, Russula armeniaca, and Russula drimeia, with some others, could not be overlooked, but there are species, several of them, including some forms of Russula integra, in which living and vigorous plants show no tinge of yellow when gathered, but after resting all night and drying, the gills and the deposited spores will exhibit too decided an ochraceous tint to be disregarded. It scarcely need be said that we hold no doubt on this point, that the colour of the spores, if a decided colour and not a faint tinge, can never be disregarded. The same species, however similar in other respects, cannot be accepted with white and with ochraceous spores; perhaps each section of the genus, as recognized by Fries, would be much better. for working purposes, if divided, as the Fragiles section is divided. into sub-sections Leucospori and Xanthospori. In passing, it may be urged that it does not follow that because the gills have, or seem to have, a tinge of colour, the spores are necessarily coloured.

There are instances in which the gills are tinted more or less, but the spores are as white as in species which have permanently white

gills.

The colour of the pileus deserves some remark. It has been considered hitherto that colour in the pileus is so very variable in this genus that it is absolutely valueless. No doubt this idea originated in the days when all Russulæ came under one or two species. Ultimately we venture to think that colour will be accepted to be as permanent in Russula as in Amanita or Hygrophorus—taking "permanent" to mean persistency in the same tones of colour in the different species. Many of the colours are very bright, and in some instances is confined to a thin cuticle, so that decoloration, more than usual, may be looked for, but this is a discharge of colour, and not an alteration of colour. And to a limited extent the turning yellow or the darkening of tints by age, moisture, or decay, would be regarded as natural changes, the original tone being preserved, and not a variation of colouring in the general acceptation of that term.*

Some of the high-coloured and over-coloured figures of Russula, in the books of the early part of the present century, helped to keep alive the notion of the very great variability of colour in this genus, whereas the undoubted fact is, that a great deal of the variability existed in the minds of the several authors, and the paint boxes of their artists. No figures of "Champignons" have been so exaggerated and overdone as Russula; in fact, many of them are only caricatures. Impossible greens, coerulean blues, and reds gone mad characterize the majority. There is no more hopeless task than the attempt to classify under their respective species the legion of figures of Russula, which have dazzled the world. Illustrating our thesis that coloration in Russula is not such an indefinite and intangible thing as some have alleged, we will take

one or two of the worst species.

First and foremost, one of the most protean in colour, as understood by Fries, was Russula fragilis. Judging from the figures, it is green, green and pink, pink, scarlet, crimson, purple, violet, redbrown, yellow, ochraceous, and white, and perhaps something more. First of all we strike out green, as no ingredient, wholly or in

^{*} It was our intention to have remarked upon the loose application sometimes made of the two words "decoloration" and "discoloration," and must do so in a foot note. We would contend that they do not imply the same thing, and should be recognized at their true value. "Discoloration" may be an alteration of colour, from one colour to another, as a purple disc may be discoloured brown, or a pink edge turn foxy, but we contend that this is not "decoloration," which is a process of blanching, or discharge of colour like that which takes place in Russula depallens. Hence "discoloration" may be a change of colour, but "decoloration" an absolute loss of colour. It is by a clear definition of terms that something will be done to facilitate study, and even this remark need not have been made, but that some persons who have written books appear to interpret both words alike.

part, of any form of Russula fragilis. What it was intended for we do not attempt to determine. Yellow is now represented by Russula citrina of Gillet. Violet by Russula violascens of Secretan. the ochraceous form, which seems to have been mild, and, therefore, not Russula fragilis at all, by R. fingibilis, Britz. The white is, of course, the Russula niveus of Persoon, and may be only an etiolate form, and then we have still left only the different shades of red. which now are held to constitute the species Russula fragilis. its deepest tints it may verge on rosy scarlet, or crimson, but through all gradations of tints the tone remains the same, now and then spotted with bleached places, where exposed to strong light. and as decay commences the blanched cuticle turns yellowish, or foxy, not resulting from mutation of colour, but decay in the cells. Here, then, we have that variable species Russula fragilis simply reduced to a red species, subject to blanching and spotting by exposure to light, like as all the other bright species are liable to similar accidental change.

Of Russula integra and Russula alutacea we will venture to say nothing at present, because up to now our opportunities have been few, and those chiefly in the direction of finding a well-defined limit

between two such similar species.

Russula cyanoxantha appears to be one of our commonest species, and R. heterophylla one of the most uncommon, if the diagnosis of Fries is to be relied upon, and not tradition. Doubtless Russula cyanoxantha does present in its extremes of intensity, and size. strange contrasts, but were the most sceptical to collect all the specimens possible during a whole day, until they numbered at least one hundred good sound specimens, as we have done in this current year, it is doubtful if their mind would ever be troubled with scepticism again in respect of this species. With a pileus from 1 in. to near six inches in size, from the faintest blush of colour to the deepest tints, and yet unity in all such seeming variety. Intrinsically a margin with a rosy tone, more or less sobered with purple, a pale disc, and between the two a dark zone of dull indefinable mixture of neutral green with purple, and that is the type for all the specimens we can meet with of R. cyanoxantha. The infinite variety being made up, not of any change of colours or their position, but simply of their greater or less intensity, the part occupied by the median zone being streaked in a radiate manner by darker lines, either quite smooth or palpably rugose.

Some may remark that there is no difficulty in that species, but it is otherwise with R. heterophylla. And here it may only be individual opinion, and so must be rated just at what it is worth, but we think two forms of R. heterophylla may be recognized, keeping in mind the strict limit imposed by Fries of "Lamellis angustissimis, confertissimis." These two forms, both of which are uncommon, correspond to the Russula heterophylla, Fries, for the greenish forms, and Russula heterophylla, Bulliard (t. 509, f. O.),

for the brown forms, each characterized by very much crowded and

very narrow white gills.

We presume that there always will be, with the most carefully arranged classification of species, instances occurring in the experience of all, of isolated individuals which it is difficult to place. It is a common occurrence, perhaps, with the most experienced, but even in such cases, wherever careful drawings have been kept, time may provide the missing link. As a rule, it is doubtful whether these isolated individuals are worth the labour they entail, because they are mostly isolated, and the result of some accidental variation. Whereas it is with constantly recurring, and reasonably permanent, types that our best time will be spent.

The only other species to which we shall now allude is R. xerampelina, not at all a common one, and perhaps sometimes carelessly referred to R. integra. As to the colour of the pileus, all the variability seems to be in the intensity of the marginal colour, the disc holds its character of tawny yellow, verging on reddish brown, broken up into little punctiform scales. The marginal tint is purple, with more or less admixture of red or brown, but differing, as in other species, more in the intensity of the colour than in any variation in the elemental colours. There need be no hesitation with such a well defined species, when sufficiently mature to see the characteristic features of the disc, combined with the form and tint of the gills.

Of the coloration of the stem little can be said of any of the species in which it occurs. It is rarely constant, especially where the colour is red; species, such as R. Queletii, in which it is purple, are more invariable, and those in which the stem becomes grey, R. depallens, R. ochroleuca, etc., the stem is at first white, and the grey colour is acquired by age, and is always faint, but indis-

putable.

Before leaving the stem, it may be pertinent to observe that in the diagnosis of some species considerable emphasis is placed on the rugosity of the stem. It is not infrequent to read that the stem is reticulately rugose. Admitted that it is more strongly marked in some species than in others, yet it appears to us that if a lens is employed, as it often is by an enthusiastic mycologist, he will probably grow sceptical as to whether there is such a thing as a species of Russula with a perfectly even stem, free from striæ in all ages and conditions. If so they are, at least, more rare than absolutely rugose stems.

Internal changes of colour, or discoloration of the flesh, seems to be a valuable character, where it assumes a positive and definite tone, and does not bear the impress of caprice, as often appears to be the case in externally coloured stems. Russula nigricans, R. densifolia, R. semicrema, R. decolorans, R. rhytipes, and some others seem to depend almost for their strongest features on the colour or discoloration of the flesh. This is the most redeeming feature in R. Du Portii. It seems to be characteristic of R. Barla, and also

of a species as yet undescribed, but which we call provisionally R. ochroviridis. Whether it takes a positive and definite form in R. vesca is not yet determined. It is not so liable to mutation, according to a wet or dry season, as taste or odour, and hence, all

things considered, is more reliable.

The colour of the flesh under the cuticle appears to have the confidence of some mycologists who have little or no faith in the external coloration of Agaricini at all. This seems rather anomalous, but it may be true. It is generally considered a good test of R. emetica, R. consobrina, R. cyanoxuntha, and perhaps to a certain extent of R. furcata, as well as R. cutefracta. This subcuticular colour is not always the same as that of the cuticle, and then perhaps even more to be trusted, as in R. cutefracta, R. furcata,

and R. rhytipes.

Considerable emphasis is often placed upon a separable or adnate cuticle, but we doubt much if this is not relative rather than absolute, and very much fluctuates with a wet or dry season. True, the cuticle may always be raised with much greater facility in some species than in others, and always most freely at the margin. Here is a little work still left for the microscope to determine whether there is in all cases a distinct outer layer of cuticular cells, or whether they are represented in the adnate pellicle by a cell structure continuous with the subcuticular cells. If the distinct cuticular cells are in all cases a superimposed layer, parting away with more or less facility, then the reliance to be placed upon a separable pellicle must be very small, fluctuating according to external circumstances.

Relative again, and not absolute, must be regarded the viscidity of the pellicle. Granted that in some instances it is most decided under any, and almost every, condition of humidity, as we presume it must be in Russula cruentata, Quel., where it is said to resemble Hygrophorus limacinus, but this is an extreme case. In damp situations, and persistently wet weather, it can be imagined that the cuticle of the species in the section Rigida will any of them exhibit fragments of grass and leaves adhering to them with some tenacity, as if they had experienced their soft moments. A distinguished and esteemed Woolhopeian not infrequently has been known to experiment on the conversion of a dry cuticle to a viscid one, by damping and pressing fragments of grass thereon, as a trap to catch the unwary. Nevertheless, for all this, the section Rigida is a good one, and, comparatively, the cuticle is dry, but not absolutely so, especially when young, that persistently damp weather has no influence upon them. Even that most characteristic, and characteristically dry, species Russula virescens may be gathered with fragments of grass closely agglutinated to the pileus, and yet the wood nymphs carry no fairy gum pot, for the delusion of corporeal fungus hunters.

Apropos of the cuticle, a curious phenomenon may be observed in two or three species—and we have observed it only in two or three—in which the cuticle of the pileus is continued for some distance from the margin along the edge of the gills in a coloured line. This may often be seen in Russula lepida, especially when the cuticle remains red or pink. This fact is alluded to by Fries ("Mon.," p. 191), where he says:—"Acie vero, præcipue marginem versus, sæpe rubræ ob marginem pilei cum lamellis contiguum, ut etiam in sequente"—that is in Russula rubra. Not only in these two species, but also in another, which we have called R. granulosa, an ochraceous species, the darker line is continuous from the margin of the pileus along the edge of the gills, for a considerable distance, like a coloured edge. As a sort of collateral evidence this fact may sometimes be useful in determination.

The final reference we have to make to the cuticle is to remind you that the tomentose cuticle is a rarity almost unknown in Russula. We have the viscid and comparatively dry cuticle, opaque or shining. bright or dull, but not the really tomentose pileus. There is a near approach to it in R. punctata, Gillet, at times, but a kind of pulverulence is the closest approach we commonly obtain to a Russula amæna, Quelet, is affirmed to have a tomentose cuticle. pulverulent pileus; and so pulverulent is that of R. maria, Peck, a North American species, that the red powder comes off on paper, or may be washed into water, to which latter it gives a pink tinge. On the other hand we have a variation from the absolutely smooth pileus, in those species in which the cuticle breaks up into small areolæ, or even into minute adherent granules. The best examples are those of R. virescens, R. cutefracta, R. xerampelina, R. punctata, and R. aranulosa. It may be added that we regard this character as a very strong and useful one, and, for aught we know or believe. constant.

This brings our "Notes and Queries" almost to a close. Any comparison of species, or critical observations on the limits of species, or the direction of their variability, must be postponed to some period when figures of all the British species can be turned to in illustration. As this time is, we hope, not many months distant, the subject may soon be resumed. It will be well worthy of the labour if we can succeed in rendering the Russulæ more intelligible, and this we shall still endeavour to accomplish. The number of available characters is greatly reduced in this genus, and we are compelled to fall back on minute distinctions which are little regarded in other groups, but by making good use of our eyes, it may be possible to initiate an improvement.

Our final note must relate to the general classification of the genus. Admitting something like 100 species into the fraternity, it is evident that an order of grouping must be adopted for facility of reference and determination. Fries attempted this by the recognition of five tribes, and no one has yet ventured to supersede them. Take them for all in all, we do not think, with our present knowledge, that any better can be offered; at any rate, no better arrangement has been proposed. The Compactae is the first, and

at the same time the most perfect of the five groups or tribes. This requires no comment. The second, or Furcatæ, seems at certain points to melt into the fourth, or Heterophylla. It requires considerable care sometimes to put them in practice. The third. or Rigidæ, should be, and we think is, a natural and satisfactory tribe, although not a large one. Whilst the last, or Fragiles, if strictly maintained within the limits of the diagnosis, is a good workable tribe, although we fail to see a good reason for two groups of the yellow-spored forms when one group would answer the purpose. The same division of yellow-spored from whitespored species would be advisable in all the other tribes. A further subdivision of each section, according to some prominent feature, so as to reduce the size of each final group to some six or ten species, would probably be the most complete classification, and the most workable one that could be proposed. This is the only direction in which we imagine that any reform in the classification could be taken.

Some there are who have been rash enough to suggest the amalgamation of *Lactarius* and *Russula* in one large genus. These enthusiasts could hardly be practical men, or they would know that in proportion as you *diminish*, and not *increase* the size of the genus—all other conditions being equal—so do you facilitate its comprehension, and render it more practically applicable.—

Requiescat in pace.

NEW BRITISH FUNGI.

By M. C. COOKE.

(Continued from p. 3.)

Agaricus (Omphalia) chrysophyllus, Fr. Hym. Eur. 156.

Pileus submembranaceous, umbilicate, flaccid, flocculose, dusky yellow, when dry hoary tan-colour, margin reflexed, stem hollow, equal, smooth, yellow, gills very decurrent, distant, bright golden egg-colour.—Fr. Icon. t. 74, f. 1.

On wood. Rothiemurchas (Rev. Dr. Keith).

Pileus about $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. diam.

Agaricus (Naucoria) subglobosus, Alb. & Schw. Sacc. Syll. 3406.

Pileus rather fleshy, hemispherical, even, rather viscid, yellowish (about 2 cm. broad), stem thin, becoming hollow, equal, short $(1\frac{1}{2} \text{ in. long})$, longitudinally striate; gills very broad, nearly free, rhomboidal, convex, ochraceous flesh-colour. Spores sphæroidal $(9 \times 7 \mu)$, pale salmon-colour.

On the ground. Woodman's Glade, Epping.

This seems to be the true species of Alb. & Schw., but the spores can scarcely belong to *Dermini*, but rather to *Hyporrhodii*. North American specimens determined by Berkeley (when dried)

have ferruginous gills and spores, and must belong to a different species. It would be better to retain this as A. (Nolanea) subglobosus, Alb. & Schw., accepting the North American species as A. (Naucoria) subglobosus, Berk. Fries had never seen Alb. & Schw. species.

Agaricus (Hypholoma) felinus, Pass. F. Parm. (nec. Pers.).

Pileus fleshy-membranaceous, hemispherical then expanded, smooth, hygrophanous; stem fistulose, short, thin, rather shining, white, incrassated at the base, and white floccose, striate at the apex; gills adnate, white, then fuscous. A. catarius—Fr. Hym. Eur. p. 296.

On the ground amongst grass. Kew Gardens, and Forest of

Dean.

Gregarious, subcæspitose, ochraceous, pileus scarcely 1 in. diam. Stem about $1\frac{1}{3}$ in. long; spores $6 \times 3 \mu$.

Lactarius aspideus, Fr. Hym. Eur. 424.

Pileus fleshy, convex gibbous, then depressed, viscid, without zones, straw colour, girt with a distinct deciduous tomentose white marginal band, afterwards quite smooth; gills rather thick, pallid; milk white, then lilac.

In swampy places. Harewood, near Leeds (G. M.).

Pileus 2-4 in. diam. Stem 2-3 in. long, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick. Spores subglobose, 8-10 μ .

Lactarius utilis, Weinm. Russ. p. 43.

Pileus convexo-plane, at length funnel shaped, even, smooth, tan colour; stem hollow, even, of the same colour; gills adnate, crowded, pallid; milk white, mild, then slightly acrid.—Fr. Hym. Eur. 425.

On the ground. Warwickshire (J. E. B.).

Pileus 5-8 in. diam. Stem 2-3 in. long, 1 in. thick. Gills 4-5

lines broad. Spores 8-10 μ , almost smooth.

In the specimen found for the first time in Britain the pileus was pale, and rather a dirty ochre, the stem darker, and longitudinally striate, but otherwise in accord with the description.

Lactarius (Russularia) aurantiacus, Fl. Dan. t. 1909.

Pileus fleshy, plane, then depressed, even (1-2 in. diam.), without zones, orange. Stem stuffed (3 in. long, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. thick), smooth, same colour as the pileus; gills decurrent, crowded, from yellowish to ochraceous. Milk white, slowly acrid. Flesh pallid.

On the ground. Fairmead, Epping Forest.

Resembling L. mitissimis in colour, but rather brighter and more orange, besides being acrid.

Russula (Rigidæ) atropurpureus, Krombh. t. 64, f. 5.6.

Large, fleshy, plane, then depressed, dark purple, shining, dry or rather viscid in wet weather, margin quite entire, even; stem straight, solid, stuffed, white, somewhat cylindrical; gills fleshy, often furcate, broad, white, entire. Flesh white, firm, taste mild.

Amongst grass. Epping Forest, and near Hereford.

Referred by Fries to Russula emetica, but the persistently mild taste and other points separate it from that species. Pileus 3-4 in. diam., with the appearance of our usual form of R. rubra, with which it is easily confounded. It is somewhat doubtful whether it can be regarded as other than a mild variety of that species.

Russula (Furcatæ) ochroviridis, Cooke.

Pileus fleshy, flattened then depressed (4 in. or more), at first viscid, polished when dry, with a thin adnate pellicle, ochraceous towards the margin, disc olivaceous or fuliginous; margin spreading, even, acute; stem short, thick, 2 in. long, 1 in. thick, reticulately rugulose, white, rarely growing pallid, flesh fuliginous when cut, stuffed, spongy within; gills attenuated both ways, lanceolate (6 mm. broad in the centre), crowded, many furcate, white, becoming a little dirty white when old. Spores white, subglobose $(9 \times 7 \mu)$, faintly granular. Taste mild.

On the ground. Kew, Arboretum, July, 1888.

Resembles R. ochroleuca in the rugose stem, but differs in not becoming cinereous, in the dark, dingy olive centre of the pileus, narrow gills, discoloration of the flesh, and the mild taste. In habit it resembles R. furcata, but differs in the paler greenish ochre pileus, narrower gills, rugose stem, and discoloured flesh. Differs from R. aruginea in the margin not being striate, in the stem being short and not smooth, and in the gills being crowded.

Russula (Furcatæ) maculata, Quel. Soc. Bot. Fr., 1877, t. 5, f. 8. Sacc. Syll. 1804.

Pileus solid, convex, then plane, viscid, reddish flesh-colour, then pallid, then decoloured, spotted with purple or brown, margin undulate, and often darker (3 in. diam.), flesh white, peppery, reminding one of the odour of rose; stem short, solid, reticulated striate, white or somewhat rosy, then spotted with ochre. Gills attenuate behind, adnate, bifurcate, pallid sulphur, then somewhat peach-colour. Spores $10~\mu$ diam.

In woods. Epping Forest.

Somewhat like R. depallens, but peppery, and without a grey stem, but with yellow gills.

Russula (Fragiles) granulosa, Cooke.

Acrid. Pileus convex, plane, then depressed or infundibuliform (2-3 in. diam.), at first viscid, ochraceous yellow, disc darker, breaking up into minute granules, margin even or faintly striate when old. Stem 2-3 in. long, $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 in. thick), minutely granular or mealy throughout, granules snow-white at the apex, fuscous below, internally white, spongy; gills rather crowded, somewhat attenuated behind, nearly free, equal, rarely furcate, white; spores rough, subglobose, $12~\mu$ diam., apiculate, white.

On the ground, under trees. Arboretum, Kew.

Habit nearly that of R. ochroleuca, which it also resembles in colour, but differing in the darker and minutely granular disc as well as the mealy stem, which is not at all grey; the cuticle of the pileus is continuous at the margin for some distance along the edge

of the gills. Altogether distinct from all the ochraceous species, in many points agreeing with the section $Rigid\alpha$, but decidedly viscid when moist, possibly only a variety of R. ochroleuca.

Russula (Fragiles) puellaris, Fr. Hym. Eur. 452.

Pileus, except the disc, membranaceous, conically convex, then flattened or depressed, striate to the margin and tuberculose $(1-1\frac{1}{2}$ in. diam.), livid purplish, becoming yellowish, disc brown, always darker, stem soon hollow $(1-1\frac{1}{2}$ in. long), white, becoming yellowish; gills attenuated behind, adnate, thin, crowded, naked, white, then pallid yellow.

On waysides, in woods, etc. Morpeth (C. H. Sp. Perceval, Esq.).

var. intensior. Pileus darker, nearly the same size, deep purple, nearly black at the disc, stem and gills as above.

In the same places.

The stem has a tendency to become thickened at the base, and turns yellowish where touched.

Russula (Fragiles) roseipes, Secr. Myc. No. 483.

Pileus fleshy, margin thin, convex, then flattened and depressed, viscid, soon dry, rosy flesh colour, rosy orange, or rosy with a tinge of ochre, at first spotted with whitish, at length blanched, margin shortly tuberculate, striate (2-3 in. diam.), gills rather crowded, equal, some dimidiate or furcate, furcate behind and rounded, free, rather distant, sometimes with an adnate tooth, ventricose, whitish, then ochraceous egg-yellow, connected by veins; stem stuffed, lacunose, white, here and there sprinkled with a rosy meal (2 in. long, 8-15 mm. thick), flesh whitish, then rather yellowish, taste and odour pleasant, spores globose, echiuulate, ochraceous, 8-10 μ. In woods. Morpeth (C. H. S. Perceval, Esq.).

Russula (Fragiles) pulchralis, Britz. Sudb. Russ, f. 13.

Pileus viscid, thin, convex, then flattened and depressed (2 in. diam.), circumference ochraceous, centre spotted with red or purple, margin thin, deeply striate and often split. Stem equal, ventricose, or thickened at the base, fragile, white; gills broad, distant, rather thick, whitish, then ochraceous yellow. Spores nearly globose, $9 \times 8 \mu$.

In woods. Near Bristol (C. Bucknall).

It is dangerous to attempt an identification of Britzelmayer's species from his imperfect descriptions and crude figures, but in this instance it appears to be correct, although Saccardo places this species (No. 1,813) in the section *Rigidæ*, whereas it evidently belongs to *Fragiles*, according to the evidence afforded by the figure and description, near to *R. nitida*.

Scolecotrichum uniseptatum (B. & C.) = Cladotrichum, Sacc. Syll. No. 1,797.

Threads dark brown, thin, simple, or rarely shortly branched, not swollen at the joints, septate; conidia oblong, uniseptate, slightly constricted, rounded at the ends, brown, $10 \times 5 \mu$.

On dead wood. Epping Forest.

Macrosporium Camelliæ, C. & Mass.

Epiphyllous. Spots orbicular or confluent, pallid, with a broad brown margin (1 cm. or more diam.), threads tufted, septate (30-40 μ long), simple, pale olive. Conidia clavate, three septate, then multiseptate and muriform (50-60×15-25 μ), attenuated below into a slender pedicel, 30-50 μ long, pale olive.

On living leaves of Camellia japonica. Kew.

Tubercularia subpedicellata, Schw. Sacc. Syll. 3,038.

On Syringa vulgaris. Kew.

Spores 6-7 \times 3-4 μ .

Phoma brunneotincta, B. & C., Sacc. Syll. 903.

Perithecia semi-immersed, gregarious on brownish or blackish spots, papillate, $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 mm. diam., somewhat shining. Sporules straight or curved, hyaline, more or less rounded at the ends, sometimes nucleolate, $14\text{-}16\times3\text{-}4~\mu$, on rather stout sporophores, $35\text{-}40~\mu$ long.

Inside husks of Œsculus. Kew.

NEW EXOTIC FUNGI.

By M. C. Cooke.

(Continued from p. 16.)

Dialonectria (Nectriella) gigaspora, Cke. & Mass.

Gregaria vel sparsa. Peritheciis minutis, aurantiis, pyriformibus vel ellipticis, glabris; ostiolo conico. Ascis lanceolatis, 150μ long, octosporis. Sporidiis elliptico-lanceolatis, continuis, granulosis, hyalinis, $30-33\times10 \mu$.

On Botryospharia inflata. Habgalla, Ceylon (542).

Botryosphæria inflata, Cke. & Mass.

Peritheciis cortice interiore nidulantibus, demum rimoso-erumpentibus, papillatis, glabris, atris, contextu coriaceo; rimis arete conniventibus, graphideis, flexuosis; ascis clavatis, octosporis. Sporidiis biserialibus, ellipticis, utrinque obtusis, medio inflatis, continuis, hyalinis, $33-35 \times 10~\mu$.

On bark. Habgalla, Ceylon (542).

Dothidea (Coccodea) globulosa, Cke. & Mass. Hypo-epiphylla, globosa, rugulosa, atra, opaca $(1-1\frac{1}{2} \text{ mm. diam.})$, loculis periphericis, globosis, minimis; ostiolis obsoletis; ascis clavatis, octosporis, sporidiis inordinatis, oblongis, triseptatis, hyalinis, $25 \times 7 \mu$.

On leaves of Tasmania aromatica. Tasmania.

Externally resembling *D. coccodes*, Lev., but different in fruit; analogous to *Bagnisiella*, with triseptate sporidia. According to authentic specimen Leveille's species is a *Dothidea*, with globose stroma, and peripherical cavities, or pseudo-perithecia, and by no means a species of *Physalospora* (Sacc. Syll. No. 1717).

Trabutia eucalypti, Cke. & Mass.

Epiphylla; stroma coriacea, suborbicularis (3 mm. diam.), convexo-rugulosa, atra, nitida, peritheciis in stromate innatis protuberantiis, ostiolo minuto pertusis. Ascis cylindrico-clavatis. Sporidiis elliptico-lanceolatis, continuis, hyalinis, $30 \times 8-9 \mu$.

On leaves of Eucalyptus viminalis, β mannifera. Tasmania

Clypeolum zeylanicum, Che & Mass.

Peritheciis sparsis, superficialibus, dimidiato-scutatis, atris, nitidis ($\frac{1}{4}$ mm. diam.), macula nulla, vel macula brunnea indeterminata insidentibus. Ascis clavatis. Sporidiis ellipticis, uniseptatis, hyalinis, 11×3 μ .

On coriaceous leaves. Ceylon.

Micropeltis depressa, Che & Mass. Epiphylla. Perithecio dimidiato, depresso, orbiculari, atro, opaco, centro poro pertuso, ambitu plano (circa $\frac{1}{2}$ mm. diam). Ascis clavatis, substipitatis. Sporidiis lanceolatis, triseptatis, hyalinis, $35-38\times8-9~\mu$.

On leaves of Cola acuminata. Fernando Po.

Microcera pluriseptata, Cke. & Mass.

Exigua, sparsa, pulvinata, aurantia, sessilis, conidiis bacillaribus, utrinque conico-attenuatis, rectis, vel leniter curvulis, ad 11-septatis, hyalinis, $100-120\times10~\mu$. Sporophoris filiformibus, ramosis.

On Calocera glossoides and on bark. Cordova, Mexico (Salle).

Chætomella furcata, Cke. & Mass.

Peritheciis superficialibus, sparsis, subglobosis, astomis, nigris, undique setosis, pilis erectis, sursum bi-vel tri-dichotomis, fuscis; sporulis ovatis, vel subamygdaloideis, pallide fuscis, $10-11\times 8~\mu$.

On coriaceous leaves. Sikkim.

BRITISH DISCOMYCETES.

Notes and Additions, No. 1.

By WILLIAM PHILLIPS, F.L.S.

I purpose in this and other contributions to these pages to deal with several species which were not included in the "Manual of British Discomycetes," either from oversight or from some doubt remaining on my mind as to the correct determination of specimens sent to me by correspondents. The evil of species making is one to be anxiously avoided; on the other hand it only adds to confusion when a plant is wrongly-referred to an already described species, and this is sometimes done when an immediate determination is called for. I shall seek the opportunity here of revising such work, as well as recording the occurrence of new species. The awakened interest in this group of fungi will bring to light many plants described by the older authors hitherto overlooked, and while confirming the words of the illustrious Fries that

"England has more numerous and remarkable Discomycetes than Sweden," will place this country on a par with most others in

Europe.

Not the least difficult task of those who essay to determine species is that of deciding what their predecessors have done. The scattered sources of information, the scanty specimens in public herbaria, the inadequacy of descriptions—sufficient when the number of species were limited—and the absence of microscopic details, render it next to impossible to be quite sure what plants a given author had before him. To carefully weigh the evidence, and scrupulously compare details, are the only methods of avoiding the needless multiplication of species.

Peziza leucomelas, Pers.

Solitary; cup white, stipitate; stem rather thick, interruptedly sulcate; hymenium cinereous approaching black; asci cylindrical; sporidia 8, broadly elliptic, 1-guttulate, smooth, $20 \times 13~\mu$; paraphysis filiform, clavate at the apices.

Peziza leucomela, Pers. Myc. Eur., p. 219; Peziza macropus, Sturm Fl. (in part), No. 31, t. 20, f. d.; Peziza sulcata, Fekl.

Symb., p. 330.

Exs. Fekl. Fung. Rh., No. 2,085.

On rocky clay bank. Feby.

The cups are 1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches broad, and the same high. It may easily be confounded with P. acetabulum, Linn., if regard be not had to the cinereous disc.

Ashton Court, Clifton. Mr. Cedric Bucknall.

Peziza ancilis, Pers.

Substipitate, from the fleshy base of the cup being protracted downwards, fragile; externally white, thick brauching veins below; hymeuium at first concave, becoming nearly plane, and wrinkled, greyish brown or purplish brown; asci cylindrical, narrowed below; sporidia 8, broadly fusiform, with an apiculus at each end, 3-guttulate, brownish, $25-29 \times 10-12~\mu$; paraphyses stout, a little enlarged at the brownish summits, indistinctly septate.

Peziza ancilis, Pers. Myc. Eur. 219; Fries Sys. Myc., ii., 42; Cooke Mycog., 371, neither 229 nor 372 Rehm.; Peziza venosa,

Weberb. Pilz., t. ii., fig. 1.

On wet soil where fir-wood had stood. May, 1888.

Cups 2 to 3 inches broad, 1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch high. Our specimens were 1 to $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches broad, and $\frac{3}{8}$ of an inch high. The remarkable sporidia distinguish this from its British allies.

I am indebted to Prof. James W. H. Trail for specimens of this

most interesting species.

Dyce, near Aberdeen, N.B.

Peziza umbrina, Boud.

Cæspitose, sessile, large, at first hemispherical then expanded, margin persistently incurved, externally pruinose or granulose,

pale brown; hymenium umber-brown; asci cylindrical, narrowed near the base; sporidia 8, elliptic, asperate, hyaline (18-20 × 9 μ , Cooke), 13-15 × 7 μ ; paraphyses filiform, a little enlarged at the summits.

Peziza umbrina, Boud. (not Persoon), in Cooke's Myco., fig.

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On charred wood. Sept.

Cups 2 to 3 inches broad. The exterior in the specimens from Scotland were granulose rather than pruinose, and the sporidia were somewhat smaller than Dr. Cooke's measurements, but I have no doubt it is Boudier's species.

Aviemore, N.B. Rev. Dr. Keith. Sept., 1888.

Hymenoscypha uliginosa, Fries.

Scattered or gregarious, stipitate or subsessile, watery, waxy, firm; cup somewhat concave, or slightly convex, pallid white, or from yellow to ochrey, when dry dark testaceous, or sub-ferruginous, frequently flexuous and umbilicate; stem becoming livid-pallid, or pallid, hollow; asci cylindraceo-clavate; sporidia 8, oblong-elliptic, often provided with two minute apical guttula, $7-14 \times 3-4 \mu$; paraphyses filiform, stout, slightly enlarged above.

Peziza uliginosa, Fr. Sys. Myc., ii., p. 138; Karst. Pez. & Ascob., p. 35, and Monogr. Pez., p. 149; Nyl. Obs., p. 48;

Helotium uliginosum, Karst. Myco. Fenn., p. 121.

Exs. Karst. Fung. Fenn., 639.

On branches of willow (Betulus) in damp places. Nov.

The cups 1 to 2 lines broad, stem half a line to 4 lines high. Mr. Grove's specimens were not so large as Karsten's, from whom the above description is mainly copied. Asci 65-90 × 6-8 μ .

Olton. Mr. W. B. Grove.

Mollisia (Pseudopeziza) Alismatis, Phil & Trail, Grevillea, xvi. p. 93.

It is probable that this is the same plant as *Peziza Alismatis*, Pers. Myco. Eur., p. 301 = Patellaria Alismatis, Fr. Sys. Myc., ii., p. 161; but of this I am uncertain. In any case it is more properly placed in the sub-genus *Pseudopeziza* of *Mollisia*.

Lachnea umbrata, Fr. var. pallida, Rehm.

This differs in colour from the type, being pale tan colour.

Humaria umbrata (Fr.), var. pallida, Rehm. Asco., No. 456; Conf. Cooke in Grevillea, vii., p. 57.

On the earth in damp places. May.

Terrington, St. Clement's, Norfolk. Mr. G. Herbert Ward.

Dermatea Pseudoplatani, n. s.

Cæspitose, erumpent, sessile or substipitate; hymenium at first convex, then a little depressed, hoary-white, becoming at times pale yellowish brown; asci broadly clavate; sporidia 8, biseriate,

oblong, or oblong-elliptic, with 3 guttulæ, at length 3-septate, $15\text{-}17 \times 5\text{-}7~\mu$; paraphyses clavate at the summits.

On bark of Acer Pseudoplatanus. October.

The cups are $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ a line broad, rarely single, erumpent, and remarkable from their hoary-whiteness. Nearer *D. livida* (B. & Br.) than any other species. It is not *Nodularia acericola* (Peck.), which is also a *Dermatea*, and which has much larger sporidia.

I am indebted to Mr. W. B. Grove, of Birmingham, for this

interesting species.

Spark Hill. W. B. Grove, No. 505.

Patellaria Crataegì, n. s.

Solitary or cæspitose, erumpent, hemispherical, then patellate, the prominent margin and exterior brownish-black, whitish within; hymenium black; asci cylindrical, narrowed at the base; sporidia 8, large, narrowly clavate, often ventricose in the centre, faintly coloured, having numerous guttulæ, $30-60\times5-6$ in the broadest part; paraphyses adherent, filiform, clavate, brown, and septate at the apices.

On twigs of Cratagus. Jany.

Cups $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ a line broad; asci $140-160\times 10$. The cups break through the bark singly or in caspitose clusters of three to five, suggesting Tympanis. It is near $Patellaria\ bacilligera$, Karst.

Corbie Den, Scotland. Professor James W. H. Trail.

Phacidium clematidis, n. s.

Scattered or gregarious, erumpent, orbicular, minute, splitting the epidermis into unequal laciniæ; hymenium pallid-brown; asci clavate or clavate-fusiform; sporidia 8, linear-acute, 5-6 guttulate, straight, $35 \times 4~\mu$; paraphyses slenderly filiform.

On dead branches of Clematis. Autumn.

The cups are $\frac{1}{8}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$ of a line broad; asci $55-56\times 10$. The margin is cut into short, unequal laciniæ, or sometimes only coarsely serrated.

Carlisle. Dr. Carlyle.

Ascomyces aureus (Pers.).

Forming in the living leaves concave depressions which are lined with the golden yellow hymenium; asci oblong-clavate, without stem-cells; sporidia innumerable, very minute, elliptic,

 $4-6\times 2\frac{3}{4}-3\frac{1}{2}$ μ .

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Exs. Kunz. Fung. Sel., 169 and 275; Rabh. Fung. Europ., 2350; Rehm. Asco., 273; Thumen Myco. Univ., 80 and 1461: Sacc. Myco. Ven., 1500.

On both sides of the leaves of Populus nigra. August.

Depressions 2-7 lines broad. Asci $92-105 \times 16-25 \mu$. Size of sporidia, given above, is after Saccardo.

Near Aberdeen. Professor James W. H. Trail.

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3769. cæspitosa, Nssl. ... 2282

3770. crassicollis, *Not.*... 2283

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AND ITS LITERATURE.

SYNOPSIS PYRENOMYCETUM.

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Fam. 12. CERATOS TOMEÆ. Perithecia plerumque immersa, vel quandoque subsuperficialia, rostrata.

GEN. 1. **CERATOSTOMELLA.** Perithecia subcarbonacea. Sporidia hyalina.

* Camptosphæria. Sporidia pyriformia.

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** ROSTRATELLA. Sporidia subovoidea. 3748. rostrata, Fr. ... 1546 3758. dispersa, Karst. ... 1557 3749. cirrhosa, P. ... 1547 3759. subpilosa, Fckl. ... 1558 3750. microcarpa, Karst. 6362 3760. multirostrata, Fckl. 1559 3751. leiocarpa, S. ... 1548 3761. subsalsa, Cr. ... 1560 3762. sphærosperma, Fckl. 1561 3752. ampullasca, Cke.... 1549 3753. vestita, S. ... 1550 3763. Stevensoni, B. & Br. 1562 3754. De Baryana, Auers. 1551 3764. canulata, Pr. ... 1563 3765. leptorrhyncha, Mont. 1565 3755. dubia, S. ... 1553 ... 1555 3756. stricta, Pers. 3766. hystricina, Cke., Grev. var. majuscula, S. xi., 109 3757. trichina, Moug. ... 1556 ** LENTOMITA. Sporidia didyma. 3767. longicollis, Karst. 6518 3771. Schulzeri, Pir. ... 2284 3768. brevicollis, Nssl.... 2281 3772. ligneola, B. & Br. 2285

** Ceratosphæria. Sporidia pluriseptata.

 3775. lampadophora, B. &
 3779. fuscella, Karst. ... 3685

 Br. 3681
 3780. cinerea, Quelet ... 3686

 3776. crinigera, Cke. ... 3682
 3781. rhenana, Auers. ... 1552

 3777. pusilla, Fckl. ... 3683
 3782. subrostrata, Karst. Exs.,

 3778. rostrata, Kickx. ... 3684
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3773. stylophora, B. & Br. 2286

3774. Auerswaldii, Fleis. 2287

*** OPHIOCERAS. Sporidia filiformia, septata.

3783. dolichostoma, B. &	3786. bacillata, Cke 4111
C. 410%	3787. macrocarpa, Sacc. 4110
3784. Friesii, Mont 4108	3788. longispora, Ell 4112
3785. hystrix, Ces 4109	3789. Therryana, S. & P. 4113

*** RHAMPHORIA. Sporidia muriformia.

3790. delicatula, Nsl. ... 3933.

Gen. 2. CERATOSTOMA, Fr. Perithecia subcarbonacea. Sporidia colorata.

* Eu-ceratostoma. Sporidia continua.

3791. Notarisii, Sacc 3792. querceticolum, Cr. 3793. caminatum, C. & E. 3794. avocetta, C. & E. 3795. brevirostre, Fr 3796. australe, Op 3797. rubefaciens, Pk 3798. jani-collinum, S. & S. 3799. graphioides, S	774 775 776 777 778 779	3802. 3803. 3804. 3805. 3806. 3807. 3808.	melanosporoides, Wint Therryanum, R. & S culmicolum, Sacc. vitis, Fckl barbirostris, Duf. nyssæcola, B. & C. carpophilum, Ell. subulatum, Ell	. 782 783 784 1554 1564 5914 5915
		3808. 3809.		5915 5916 6298

** Species incertæ.

3811. fallax, Cke. & S	785	3815. hæmatorhynchum,	
3812. piliferum, Fr	786	Sow.	789
= dryina, Pers.		3816. cuspidatum, Fr	790
3813. procumbens, $Fckl$.	787	3817. stilbum, Schum	791
3814. mucronatum, S	788	3818. spina, Schw	792
·		3819. drupivora, Schwz.	4342

** Microascus. Sporidia continua muco involuta.

3820. longirostris, Zuk.... 6299.

** Rhyncostoma. Sporidia didyma.

3821.	cornigera, Karst	2764	3826.	altipeta, Peck.		2769
3822.	minuta, Karst	2765	3827.	badia, Pr .		2770
3823.	exasperans, Karst.	2766	3828.	conica, Lev.	• • •	2716
3824.	Julii, Fab	2767	3829.	tinctum, Ell. &	Ev.	6620
3825.	pachyceras, D. R. &		3830.	Beccarianum, P.	ass.	7474
	M	2768		•		

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3834. Cesatiana, Sacc. ... 3279

3837. mycophila, Wint. 7057

3838. irpex, B. & Br. ... 3384

3853. perfidiosa, Karst..., 1581

= Beccariana. Ces.

*** RHYNCOSPHÆRIA. Sporidia triseptata.

*** CERATOSPHÆRIA. Sporidia pleuriseptata.

GEN. 3. GNOMONIA. Perithecia submembranacea, subcutaneo

* Gnomoniella. Sporidia continua.

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erumpentia; ostiolo rostellata; sporidia hyalina.

3839. tubiformis, Tode ... 1567 3851. rosæ, Fckl.

3840. amæna, Nees ... 1568 3852. pruni, Fckl.

3831. acuta, Sacc.

3832. ceratophora, S. & S 3277

3833. longicollis, Sacc.... 3278

3835. æruginosa, *Rehm*. 3688

3836. Sarawacensis, Ces. 3689

var. petiolorum, Schw.

var. penororum, somo.	0000. permanosa, mar 00 1001
3841. avellanæ, Sch 1569	3854. angelica, Fckl 1582
3842. spilota, Lev 1570	3855. devexa, <i>Desm.</i> 1583
3843. emarginata, Fckl. 1571	3856. curvicolla, Peck 1584
3844. mirabilis, Peck 1572	3857. excentrica, Cke. &
3845. nervisequia, Wall. 1573	Pk. 1585
3846. fasciculata, Fckl 1574	3858. amygdalina, Fckl. 1586
3847. lugubris, Karst 1575	3859. euphorbiæ, Fckl 1587
3848. comari, Karst 1576	3860. idæicola, <i>Karst.</i> 1588
3849. circinata, Fckl 1577	3861. vagans, Johan 6363
3850. vulgaris, Ces 1578	•
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** Mamiana. Per	ritheciis stromaticis.
3869 fimbriate Pare 1589	3863. coryli, Batsch 1590
9002. Illibilata, 1 6/3 1905	3000. Colyli, Dalson 1000
** Operagyana	Sporidia bacillaria.
* OPHIOGNOMONIA.	Sporiaia vaciliaria.
3864. melanostyla, D.C. 1591	
boot. Metallostyla, D.O. 1991	
** Eugnomonia	Sporidia uniseptata.
** LOGHOMONIA.	Sportura anticoptana.
† Sporidia ove	oidea v. oblonga.
3865. Epilobii, Fckl 2196	3873. myricæ, C. & E 2202
3866. fenestrans, Duby 2197	3874. sesleriæ, Not 2203
3867. depressula, Karst. 2198	3875. clavulata, Ell 6083
3868. tetraspora, Wint 2199	3876. australis, Winter 6492
3869. euphorbiacea, S.&B. 6489	3877. petiolophila, Peck. 6491
3870. rhododendri, Rehm. 2200	3878. magnoliæ, Ellis, Amer.
3871. tithymalina, S. & B. 6490	Nat., 1883, p. 318.
3872. unæqualis, Auers. 2201	wii, 2000, fr 0200

†† CLOSTERIGNOMONIA. Sporidia fusoidea.

3879. setacea, Pers 3880. ischnostyla, Desm. 3881. inclinata, Desm 3882. setiformis, Pers 3883. veneta, Speg 3884. amæna, Auers 3885. ostryæ, Not	2205 2206 2207 2208 2209 2210	3892. alni, Plow. 2217 3893. alniella, Karst. 2218 3894. campylostyla, Auers. 2219 3895. leptostyla, Fr. 2220 3896. errabunda, Desm. 2221 3897. petiolicola, Fckl. 2222 3898. dryadis, Auers. 2223
3886. Arnstadtiensis, Auers 3887. suspecta, Fckl 3888. lirelliformis, Pass. 3889. erythrostoma, Pers. 3890. Linneæ, Auers 3891. Fleischhakii, Auers.	2211 2212 2213 2214 2215	3899. cerastis, Reis 2224 3900. graphis, Fckl 2225 3901. pleurostyla, Auers. 2226 3902. sassafras, Ell. & Ev. 6493 3903. perversa, Rehm 6494 3904. gei, Pat. & Doas. 7460

*** Species dubiæ.

3905. acicularis, Wallr.	2227	3910. ariæ, Fckl. F. Rhen. 877
3906. curvirostra, Sow		3911. obliqua, Auers. Pyr. f. 126
3907. grossulariæ, Fr	2229	3912. pungens, Wallr. Comp. 11.
3908. ulmea, Schw	2230	803
3909. pruina, Schw	4473	3913. curva, Wallr. in Karst.
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*** Cryptoderis. Sporidia triseptata.

† Ostiolum sublaterale.

3914. lamprotheca, Desm. 3690

†† Ostiolum subcentrale.

3915. Chamæmori, Fr. ... 3691 3917. misella, Nsl. ... 3693 3916. riparia, Nsl. ... 3692

FUNGUS FORAYS, 1888.

HACKNEY NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY, SATURDAY, SEPT. 8TH.—
The Annual Foray was held as usual in Epping Forest, and although the attendance was small the weather was propitious, and the number of species met with considerably larger than for some years past. The cold summer was, doubtless, adverse to the prolific growth of fungi, yet, for some unaccountable reason, this excursion proved to be eminently successful, as far as species were concerned, although the individuals in each species were comparatively few. The Hawkwood and Burywood side of the Forest did not answer expectations at the beginning of the day, but after-

wards there was no reasonable ground of complaint. It is customary at these Excursions to keep a list of all the species met with and determined throughout the day, which, on previous occasions, have ranged from 60 or 80 to 100. On the present occasion the total attained was 144, of which 20 were new to the records of the Forest, and four of these occurred for the first time Of the latter were Agaricus (Naucoria) subglobosus, A. & S., which appears to be rather a Nolanea than a Naucoria, from the colour and character of the spores; Russula maculata, Quelet, although it hardly seems to be a good and distinct species; Lactarius aurantiacus, Fr., and Scolecotrichum uniseptatum, B. & C. In addition to these Russula armeniaca, Cooke, which was first observed in the Forest nearly a month previously, and Russula (sub species) granulosa, Cooke, were again collected. The usual tea at Fairmead Lodge, an exhibition and examination of the specimens collected, with some explanatory observations by M. C.

Cooke, concluded the day.

WOOLHOPE FIELD CLUB, OCT. 2 TO OCT. 5, 1888.—On this occasion, following the example of last year, two days were spent in the Forest of Dean, with the Speeche House, Coleford, as a centre. Whatever the cause, the anticipations raised by the success of the Hackney Foray in Epping Forest were disappointed, as may be seen from the account in "Gardener's Chronicle" for October 27. As for the fungi, they were few and far between, the oldest excursionist venturing the opinion that it was the worst prospect of a Fungus Foray which the Woolhope Club ever experienced, and this prognostic was ultimately verified. Thursday, being the "Club day," was devoted to a little excursion in the woods and lawns of Holm Lacey, where the bracken flourished in luxurious profusion, but fungi were more scarce than in the Forest of Dean. In the evening, after the inevitable dinner, the usual conversazione at the residence of Mr. Cam was crowded, when two or three papers were read—"On Dr. Bull's Birds of Herefordshire," by H. T. Wharton, M.A., F.Z.S.; "On Spiders," by the Rev. J. E. Vize, M.A.; and "Notes and Queries on Russulæ," by M. C. Cooke (the latter printed in the previous number). final excursion to Pontrilas, on October 5, was characterized chiefly by the genial hospitality of the host and hostess for the day, but the baskets remained nearly empty, and not a specimen of any special interest or rarity could be found. "The social aspect of the week was a pleasant reminiscence, but the scientific phase undoubtedly a deplorable failure."

VESEY CLUB, SUTTON COLDFIELD, SATURDAY, OCT. 6.—The first Foray of this Club in Sutton Park did not exceed two hours, but a number of specimens, chiefly of the commoner species, were collected. In the evening a meeting was held at the Royal Hotel, with the Mayor in the chair, when W. B. Grove, B.A., read a paper on the Esculent fungi of the district, illustrated by specimens on the table and some well-prepared dishes of three or four species

which were placed before the company, and eaten with general satisfaction. The specimens collected during the day supplied the text for some remarks on the discrimination of species by M. C. Cooke, an animated discussion bringing a very pleasant evening to a close. The most interesting fungus exhibited was a specimen of the rare Lactarius utilis, Wein., which had been collected in Warwickshire during the previous week by Mr. J. E. Bagnall, A.L.S.

HAMPSHIRE FIELD CLUB, OCT. 11 AND 12, 1888.—Although the crop of fungi was far richer than in the Forest of Dean, it was by no means equal in the New Forest to what it has been in previous years, whilst better than last year. In 1887 only about 106 species were collected and recorded during the two days, but in 1888 no less than 171 species were determined, and of these sixtyeight were species found also in the previous year, whilst thirtyeight of those found in 1887 did not put in an appearance in 1888. The first day's excursion was made in Boldrewood and Knightwood; the second day starting from Lyndhurst Road Station, through fir plantations, following the stream to the Kennels at The evening of the first day was devoted to an exhibition of the specimens collected at the Hartley Institution, Southampton, and a demonstration by M. C. Cooke, chiefly confined to edible and poisonous fungi, illustrated by specimens on the table. Some of the most interesting of the species found during the excursions were Hydnum auriscalpium in profusion, as well as some very fine specimens of Agaricus (Tricholoma) imbricatus, Tremellodon gelatinosum, Lactarius cyathula, Clavaria pistillaris, Clavaria

ESSEX FIELD CLUB, SATURDAY, OCT. 27, 1888.—The weather was all that could be desired, and yet the attendance was below the average of several years. It was at first intended to scour the slopes of Monkswood, but ultimately it was decided to commence at Fairmead, working upwards to Highbeech. The dearth of fungi was remarkable as compared with the same localities six weeks previously. The only additions made to the Forest catalogue were Agaricus (Mycena) parabolicus, Fr.; Agaricus (Stropharia) thraustus, Kalch.; Polyporus (Fomes) applanatus, Fr.; Polyporus radiatus, Fr.; Grandinia granulosa, Fr.; Phlebia merismoides, Fr.; Corticium atrovireus, B.; Clavaria grisea, Fr.; Peziza badia, P.; Peziza succosa, B. The specimens were arranged at the close of the day on tables at the "Roebuck," at Buckhurst Hill, and after tea an "ordinary" meeting was held, when the following papers were read: "Notes on the Larger Fungi of Epping Forest," by M. C. Cooke, and "Unsolved Problems in Plant-Life," by G. Massee.

General reports from all parts of the country characterize the present year as remarkably unproductive in fleshy fungi, except

for a short period soon after midsummer.

AUSTRALIAN FUNGI.

By M. C. COOKE.

Polyporus (Ovini) tumulosus, Cke.

Pileo carnoso (3-4 unc. diam.), firmo, convexo, pallido, squamulis innatis obscurioribus ornato, margine primitus incurvo, carne albo; stipite brevi, crasso, æquali (1-2 unc. long 1 unc. crass) solido, ochraceo, mycelio profuso, albo, spongioso oriundo; tubulis adnatis, vel subdecurrentibus, latis; poris magnis, inæqualibus, angulatis. Sporis 12×4 -5 μ pallide olivaceis.

On the ground. Near Brisbane. (Bailey, 607.)

"On the hard stony ridges about Brisbane, when trenching the land, large masses of mycelium are often met with. Some of the masses would weigh over a hundredweight. From its consistence one might fancy that a quantity of dough had been buried. My idea has always been that it was the mycelium of some Boletus." The specimens sent have some of the mycelium attached. Dr. Bancroft, who collected them, remarks that the natives make use of them for food, "a fact worth recording as so few are eaten by them." The description is drawn up from dried specimens, and no account was forwarded of the colour and appearance when fresh. Closely allied to Polyporus Hartmanni, C.

Grandinia glauca, Cke.

Subceracea, late effusa, adglutinata, glauca, ambitu determinato, hymenio æquali; granulis subconicis, æqualibus, minutis, confertis, concoloribus. Sporis $8 \times 4 \mu$.

On naked wood. Brisbane. (Bailey, 627.)

Aleurodiscus albidus, Mass.

Primum pezizæforme, margine erecto, tomentoso, inflexo, dein explanato-expanso, sæpeque confluenti; hymenio albo, sub-pulverulento, in sicco hinc inde rimoso; sporis ellipsoideis $10-12 \times 9 \mu$.

On branches. Brisbane. (Bailey, n. 620.)

Plants pure white, at first scattered, 2-3 lines in diameter, often becoming confluent and forming irregular patches; $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{3}{4}$ in. across.

Uromyces diploglottidis, Cke. & Mass.

Epiphylla. Soris sparsis, convexis, minutis, diu tectis, demum fissuratis, pallide fuscis, maculis orbicularibus virentibus insidentibus. Teleutosporis ellipticis, apice obtuse acuminato, basi in stipitem brevi attenuato. Episporio hyalino, crasso, plasmate granuloso, pallido, $50\text{-}60 \times 20\text{-}30~\mu$.

On fading leaves of Diploglottis. Brisbane. (Bailey, 626.)

Phoma plagia, Cke. & Mass.

Maculis determinatis, glaucescentibus, ellipticis vel confluentibus, margine lineato circumscripto; peritheciis minutissimis, atris, emergentibus; sporulis ellipticis, binucleatis, hyalinis, $8-9 \times 5 \mu$.

On palm leaves. Daintree River. (Bailey, 464.)

Phoma diploglottidis, Cke. & Mass.

Hypophylla, gregaria. Peritheciis semi-immersis, atris, minutis, papillatis; sporulis arcte amygdalæformibus, binucleatis, hyalinis, $10-11 \times 4-5 \mu$.

On fading leaves of Diploglottis. Brisbane. (Bailey, 626.)

Phyllachora alpiniæ, Cke. & Mass.

Maculis ex fusco piceo-nigris, elongatis, linearibus vel lanceolatis, binc illic confluentibus; stromatibus atris, nitentibus, rugulosis, nunc orbicularibus nunc confluentibus. Ascis clavato-stipitatis. Sporidiis ellipticis, continuis, hyalinis, biserialibus $11-14 \times 5-6$ μ .

On fading leaves of Alpinia carulea. Brisbane. (Bailey, 623.)

NEW BRITISH FUNGI.

By M. C. COOKE.

(Continued from p. 42.)

Phoma tingens, Cke. & Mass.

Scattered. Perithecia minute, subglobose, black, papillate, seated on bright red spots, which penetrate the matrix; sporules oval, $3-4 \times 1\frac{1}{2} \mu$, hyaline.

On stems of Delphinium elatum. Kew, Jan., 1889.

Phoma Jacquiniana, Cke. & Mass.

Caulicolous. Perithecia gregarious, minute, black, papillate, elevating and at length piercing the cuticle, sporules elliptical, nucleate at each end, hyaline, $15 \times 5 \mu$.

On stems of Delphinium Jacquinianum. Kew, Jan., 1889.

Phoma gibberoidea, Cke. & Mass.

Caulicolous. Perithecia scattered, membranaceous, rather soft and gelatinous, large, subglobose, then depressed, pierced at the apex, erumpent, dark brown, sporules profuse, cylindrical, obtuse, straight or slightly curved, hyaline, $14 \times 2 \mu$ on short sporophores.

On stems of Delphinium elatum. Kew, Jan., 1889.

Physarum Carlylei, Massee.

Sporangia stipitate, globose, orange-vermilion, minutely furfuraceous; stem about equal in length to diameter of sporangium, thick, rugulose, vermilion, expanding downwards into a small, wrinkled hypothallus; capillitium threads thin, yellow, forming a dense net, swollen at the angles, and there containing orange-coloured granules of lime; columella absent; spores globose, smooth, dirty violet, 7-8 μ diameter.

On rotten wood. Carlisle (Dr. Carlyle).

A very distinct species, sporangia 1.5-2 mm. high, scattered singly or in groups of two or three. Most nearly related to *Physarum rubiginosum*, Fr., but readily distinguished by the smaller spores, and the scattered, stipitate sporangia.

BRITISH PYRENOMYCETES.

By G. MASSEE.

(Continued from p. 6.)

Fam. II. LOPHIOSTOMACE A. Perithecia subsuperficial, ostiolum compressed, more or less broad, rimose.

GEN. 1. LOPHIOSPHÆRA, Trev. Sporidia oblong or fusiform, hyaline.

LOPHIOTREMA. Sporidia 2, or many septate.

L. hederæ, Fckl., Sacc. Syll. 5416. On ivy. Exmouth, Eastbourne.

L. nucula, Fr., Sacc. Syll. 5419; Hdbk. 2540.
On oak bark.

L. præmorsum, Lasch., Sacc. Syll. 5427; Hdbk. 2545 (= Loph. Jerdoni, B. & Br.).

On Rubus ideas and elm. Mossburnford, King's Cliffe, East Bergholt.

L. semiliberum, Desm., Sacc. Syll. 5428; Hdbk. 2548. On culms of reeds and grasses.

L. sexnucleatum, Cke., Sacc. Syll. 5432; Hdbk. 2543. On nettle stems. Shere, near Guildford; North Wootton.

VIVIANELLA. Sporidia appendiculate.

L. augustilabrum, B. & Br., Sacc. Syll. 5448; Hdbk. 2542.
On gorse, elm, and ash. Leicester, Forden, Shere, North Runcton, Lynn.

GEN 2. LOPHIOSTOMA. Sporidia coloured.

* LOPHIELLA. Sporidia boat-shaped.

L. cristata, Pers., Sacc. Syll. 5397.On twigs and branches. Wothorpe, Twycross.

** Genuina. Sporidia 3, or many septate.

A. EU-LOPHIOSTOMA. Perithecia rather small.

† Sporidia 3 septate.

L. quadrinucleatum, K., Sacc. Syll. 5451. On Rhamnus frangula. North Wootton.

L. viridarium, Cooke, Sacc. Syll. 5457; Hdbk. 2539. On decorticated twigs of maple. Shere.

†† Sporidia multiseptate.

L. fibritectum, B., Sacc. Syll. 5476; Hdbk. 2541. On bleached larch planks. King's Cliffe. L. caulium, Fr., Sacc. Syll. 5452; Hdbk. 2546.
On dead stems of Epilobium hirsutum, etc. Shere.

L. arundinis, Fr., Sacc. Syll. 5486; Hdbk. 2547. On reeds and grasses. Shere, Chiselhurst.

B. NAVICELLA. Perithecia large.

L. macrostomum, Tode, Sacc. Syll. 5490; Hdbk. 2537.
On sycamore and holly. King's Cliffe, East Bergholt,
Twycross, Shere, Kidbrooke, Orton Wood, Leicester;
Forres, N.B.

L. excipuliforme, Fr., Sacc. Syll. 5491; Hdbk. 2544. On bark, wood, and furze. King's Cliffe, Sibbertoft.

C. Rostella. Sporidia appendiculate.

L. bicuspidatum, Cke., Sacc. Syll. 5512; Hdbk. 2538.
On decorticated twigs. Shere, Darenth, Leatherhead, King's Lynn.

GEN. 3. LOPHIDIUM, Sacc. Sporidia muriform, coloured.

L. compressum, P., Sacc. Syll. 5531 (=L. angustatum, Fckl.). On willow. King's Lynn, Northampton.

MEMORABILIA.

LYCOPERDON MISSOURIENSE, Trelease. Trans. St. Louis Acad. Sci., Dec., 1887.—This undoubtedly is the same as Lycoperdon lilacinum. B. & M.

Polyporus salignus, Fries.—There is every probability that the Polyporus obducens, Fr., is a resupinate form of the above. Both have been found together, both are stratose, and have identical spores. A form of P. salignus, in Herb. Berk., is placed with, and referred to, P. zonatus, Fries., which latter should not be stratose.

LOPHODERMIUM PETERSII, B. & C., Sacc. Syll. 5822. On branches of Cupressus and Juniperus. Perithecia $1-1\frac{1}{2}$ mm. Sporidia 60×2 μ . This is identical with Colpona juniperina, Cooke & Peck.

Colpoma Azaleæ, Schw.—Perithecia 1-3 mm. Sporidia $90 \times 2 \mu$.

Hysterium carmichaelianum, Sacc. Syll., 5670.—Sporidia $30-32 \times 18 \mu$, otherwise the same as in *H. repandum*, Blox. (Sacc. 5566), hence a species of Farlowia.

Hysterium insidens, Schwez. (Sacc. Syll. 5762).—Sporidia in authentic specimen from Schweinitz are not muriform, but 7-9 septate, with the third or fourth joint swollen, $45-50 \times 15 \mu$,

scarcely distinct from H. Berengeri, Sacc., but certainly belonging to Hysterium.

Bothyodiplodia acinosa, Fr.—Specimens of Sphæria acinosa from Moug. & Nestl. Exs., No. 769, and apparently direct from Mougeot, are respectively a Bothyodiplodia. Sporules scarcely constricted, dark brown, $16-20 \times 8-10 \mu$, very variable in size.

AGARICUS (LEPIOTA) ECHINODERMATIS, Che. & Mass. in Grevillea xvi., p. 30.—On comparison this does not appear to be specifically distinct from A (Lepiota) asprata, Berk.

HEMIARCYRIA LEIOCARPA, Che., Myxos U.S., p. 405, Sacc. Syll. 1519.—In Saccardo this is stated to be a species of Rostafinski's (Mon. p. 267), but its publication as a species was subsequent to the Monograph by Rostafinski, and consequently could have no mention in that work.

TRICHIA ABRUPTA, Cke., Myxos U.S., p. 404, Sacc. Syll. 1511.
—No description given in the "Sylloge," whereas a full diagnosis was published as above.

TRICHIA AFFINIS, D'By., Sacc. Syll. 1499.—The character of the spores, in so far as they differ from those of its allies in the bands being punctate, is not mentioned in the "Sylloge" at all; and further, the threads are not "connected in a net."

CLAVARIA VELUTINA, Ell. & Ev., N. Amer. Fungi, No. 2024.— This is Lachnocladium semi-vestitum, B. & C. Spores globose, colourless, 4-5 μ ; Berkeley's type is from New Jersey.

CLAVARIA FRAGRANS, Ell. & Ev., N. A. F. 2023.—This is Lachnocladium Micheneri, B. & C.

SOME EXOTIC FUNGI.

By M. C. COOKE.

Marasmius sanguineus, Cke. & Massee.

Pileo convexo, membranaceo, sanguineo (1-1½ cm. diam.) glabro, lævi; stipite elongato, glabro, pallido (4 cm. long), lamellis paucis, distantissimis, ventricosis, adnexis, pileo concoloribus.

On dead leaves. Laion Forest, Dominica. West Indian Ex-

ploration Committee (Ramage).

Allied to Marasmius rhabarbarinus, Berk.

Polyporus (Petalodes) cervicornis, Cooke.

Pileo carnoso-lento, glabro, e basi stipitiformi brevi ramosoextenso, tota albido, segmentis planis, digitato-furcatis, uni- vel bi-rarius tri-dichotomis, apicibus acutis; poris brevibus, rotundatis, minutis, æqualibus.

On logs. Forest St. Lucia.

A singular species, resembling a Clavaria in form, about 3 inches in length, deeply cut into segments, which do not exceed $\frac{1}{2}$ cm. in width, with the hymenium on the under surface.

Bovista asterospora, Massee.

Peridio globoso, papyraceo, ochraceo, sursum glabro, deorsum scrobiculato, vertice rumpente; floccis hyalinis, parce ramulosis, 6-7 μ cr., sporis globosis, ecaudatis, dense majusculeque spinulosis, umbrinis, 7-8 μ diam.

On the ground. Dominica (Ramage).

From half to two-thirds of an inch diameter, sometimes furnished with a long, slender root. Well marked by the scrobiculate base of the peridium, colourless threads, and densely spinulose spores.

Lycoperdon Dominicensis, Massee.

Peridio subgloboso, depresso, sæpius in basim stipitiformem attenuato, verrucis spinuliformibus, vel pyramidatis, demum deciduis obsito; basi sterili distincta; floccis parce ramulosis, hyalinis, 5-6 μ cr., sporis globosis, glabris, longe pedicellatis, e fusco dilute purpureis, 5-6 μ diam., pedicello $20-25 \times 1.5$ hyalino.

On the ground. Dominica (Ramage).

Peridium half to two-thirds of an inch across. Remarkable in having the spores furnished with long persistent pedicels as in the allied genus, *Bovista*.

Lepidoderma stellatum, Massee.

Peridiis sphæricis, stipitatis, subtus umbilicatis, nigro-fuscis, squamis albis variegatis, majusculis, maturitate stellatim ruptis; stipite crassiusculo, erecto, striatulo, albo; columella hemispherica vel subclavata, albido-flava; floccis capillitii tenerrimis, flexuosis, incoloribus; sporis lævibus, violaceis, $10-12~\mu$ diam.

On rotten wood. Dominica (Ramage).

A very fine and distinct species, scattered or gregarious, $2\cdot5-3\cdot5$ mm. high. When young the sporangia are pure white, the outer coat eventually becoming broken up into large scales. When mature the sporangia split nearly to the base into 4-6 irregular, acute segments.

SACCARDO'S SYLLOGE, VOL. VI.

This volume comprises the residue of the Hymenomycetes not already included in Vol. v., as the Polyporei, Hydnei, Thelephorei, Clavariei, and Tremellini. As far as a hasty and cursory glance can impress anyone, the conclusion must be satisfactory. Nothing novel or sensational in classification has been attempted, and if all the innumerable species, the diagnoses of which have hitherto been scattered in all directions, have been carefully collected into one volume enough has been done to merit the thanks of all work-

ing mycologists. Some omissions will, doubtless, be discovered, since we have already failed to trace some of the species described in Schweinitz's "Synopsis Carolinensis," but let us hope that the omissions are but few. It would be absurd to attempt any elaborate criticism of a volume of this character without having applied the crucial test of experience. Those who are called upon to use it day by day will soon discover all that can be urged against it. Altogether, we are strongly of opinion that these two volumes (v. and vi.), which contain the Hymenomycetes, will be more used and better appreciated than any of those which preceded them. About two additional volumes, which are promised for 1889, will complete this arduous undertaking, and we congratulate Professor Saccardo on his energy and promptitude. One part has already appeared since the foregoing paragraph was written.

VOL VII., PART II.

This part, which completes the seventh volume, contains some 400 pages, and is devoted to the *Ustilogineæ* and the *Uredineæ*, compiled by Dr. J. B. de Toni. Very little criticism can be offered on this part, in which the usual classification prevalent throughout the work is continued. There are the Amerosporæ, Didymosporæ, Phragmosporæ, and Dictyosporæ, and finally a subsidiary group of imperfect forms (*Status secundarii*), but nothing sensational. It is strange how an error which has once got into print becomes perpetuated. At p. 768 two species of *Milesia* are described; one of these is *Milesia Polypodii*, B. & White, which is the type, and the only species in fact. The other is *Milesia Polygoni*, B. & White, which is merely the copy of a misprint in the "Annals of Natural History," No. 1,709, and really was intended for *Milesia Polypodii*.

No. 2,959, Æcidium incarceratum, B. & Br., is only a synonym

of Doassansia Sagittariæ.

No. 2,930, Æcidium strobilinum, A. & S., has already appeared in Vol. iii. (No. 3,655) as Pleosporopsis strobilinum, Œrst.

By some oversight *Testicularia*, Klotsch., has been omitted from the *Ustilagineæ*, to which it is clearly allied, and inserted in *Lyco-*

perdaceæ (Vol. vii., p. 150), with which it has no affinity.

However, these are merely stray suggestions which have occurred to us in casually turning over the pages. The merits and demerits of such a work do not appear until tested by experience. At any rate this, as well as the kindred volumes, will be indispensable to the library of the mycologist, especially when the appendices have swept up all the stray species from out-of-the-way places, which may have been overlooked and forgotten, notably those of which the diagnoses have been issued with the specimens in some excitati, and are not published elsewhere.

BRITISH UREDINEÆ AND USTILAGINEÆ.*

The promised "Monograph of the Uredines" has now been published in a handsome volume, against the "get-up" and appearance of which nothing can be urged of more importance than the colour of the binding, which may be eccentric, but it is not "nice." Fortunately neither a good man nor a good book depends on the colour of the coat in an estimate of value. It is generally enough known, amongst readers of this journal, that we do not accept the hypothesis advanced by Mr. Plowright as sufficient or as proven. Apart from this, and with a reservation to that extent, we proceed to an unprejudiced examination of the work in question. The first hundred pages are biological. The remaining two hundred are systematic. The former portion includes-Mycelium of the Uredineæ, Spermogonia, Æcidiospores, Uredospores, Teleutospores, Heteræcism, Mycelium of the Ustilagineæ, Germination of Teleutospores, Infection of Host Plants, Spore Culture, and Artificial Infection of Plants. The latter portion contains descriptions of the British Uredinea, Imperfect forms, Descriptions of British Ustilaginea, Allied and associated species, The Barberry law of Massachusetts, Glossary, List of authors quoted, Index of Host plants, Biological Index, and Index of species, the whole illustrated with 13 woodcuts and 8 plates. The type employed is new and clear, the pages free from all crowding, the paper good, so that altogether it is a book agreeable to handle and read.

The author appears to have done his work as carefully and conscientiously as the printer. The biological portion is forcibly and lucidly explained, and the peculiar views are urged with moderation, but with unflinching perseverance. It is no small praise to add that throughout the whole work there is an entire absence of those disagreeable personalities, which serve no useful purpose, and are petty in themselves, but which have sadly disfigured some scientific books. This is, we presume, the first time that Mr. C. B. Plowright has made his appearance as the author of a whole volume, entirely to himself. We congratulate him most heartily on the result, for the slight criticisms we shall hereafter make are

There appear to be some few botanists who love to banish old and well-established specific names in favour of others, which they are ready to suppose have a still older and prior claim. It is not too much to say that, even in cases where priority could be claimed, it is seldom advisable to increase synonymy by such unnecessary

insufficient to affect the general character of the work.

alterations. Whenever the alteration is made, it should be made,

^{* &}quot;A Monograph of the British Uredineæ and Ustilagineæ," by C. B. Plowright, with woodcuts and eight plates. London: Kegan Paul, Trench, and Co., 1889.

at least, upon indisputable grounds. It was some satisfaction to us to discover that our author had not followed some Continental authors in this iniquity, but retained still the names sanctioned by long usage. There are, nevertheless, one or two instances in this work in which "emendations" are made to which we take excep-

Puccinia arundinacea, Hedw., is replaced by Puccinia phragmitis, on the ground that the uredospores were described previously as

Uredo phragmitis, Schum.

Puccinia truncata, B. & Br., is superseded by Puccinia iridis, because the uredospores were described first as Uredo iridis, D.C. Puccinia luzulæ, Lib., has to give way for a similar reason to

Puccinia oblongata.

Puccinia noli-tangeris, Corda, has been made to succumb to

Puccinia argentata.

Puccinia anemones, Pers., is abolished in favour of Puccinia fusca, because Relham called it Æcidium fuscum.

Puccinia scorodonia, Link., is superseded by Puccinia annularis, because its uredospores were called Uredo annularis by Strauss.

But, worse than all, Puccinia sparsa, Cke., has been supplanted by Puccinia tragopogi, because the Æcidium tragopogi of Persoon was first described; altogether ignoring the fact that for 45 years there has been another Puccinia tragopogi described and figured by

Corda, as P. tragopogonis.

We contend that all these changes were quite unnecessary, and hence unjustifiable; because "the essential point in nomenclature is to avoid, or to reject the use of forms, or names, that may create error or ambiguity, or throw confusion into science. Next in importance is the avoidance of any useless introduction of new names." (Laws of Botanical Nomenclature.)

"It is impossible to deny a certain right of custom; the maintenance of well-known names of forms in frequent use often gives clearness or precision, and does away with the necessity of new

ones." (Commentary.)

"Nobody is authorized to change a name because it is badly chosen or disagreeable, or another is preferable or better known, or for any other motive, either contestable or of little import." (Laws of Botanical Nomenclature.)

There is another point on which there will doubtless be students,

as ignorant as ourselves, who would desire to be enlightened.

At page 150 occurs Puccinia variabilis, Grev., Fl., Ed., p. 431, with its Æcidiospores = Æcidium Taraxici, Grev., Fl., Edin., p.

Again, at p. 186 is Puccinia taraxici, Plow., with its synonym, Puccinia variabilis, Grev., Fl., Edin., p. 431. Does the description by Greville fit both species, or is there only one? Our own experience is in favour of there being two distinct species of Puccinia on leaves of Taraxacum, the teleutospores of which are readily distinguishable by the microscope; but surely both were not included within the one description by Greville, or, if so, "in

part" should have followed each citation.

Again, it seems rather puzzling to some, who may not be wedded to a preconceived theory, that Æcidium ranunculacearum, D.C., should furnish at p. 130 the Æcidiospores of Uromyces dactylidis, at p. 130 the Æcidiospores of Uromyces Pow, at p. 178 the Æcidiospores of Puccinia magnusiana, at p. 180 the Æcidiospores of Puccinia perplexans, and at p. 266 the Æcidiospores of Æcidium ranunculacearum, doubtfully belonging to any Uromyces or Puccinia. Doubtless this is one of the things which Lord Dundreary would have said "no feller can understand."

It has yet to be shown that Biological characters alone are suffi-

cient to constitute that variable quantity called "a species."

We fail to appreciate the advantage of including at all in a work of this kind such species as *Æcidium strobilinum*, A. & S., which is not an *Æcidium* at all, but belongs to the Sphæropsideæ, as *Pleosporopsis strobilinum* (Sacc. Syll., Vol. iii., p. 693).

And Æcidium incarceratum, B. & Br., which is undoubtedly a synonym of Doassansia Sagittariæ, Fckl., afterwards entered on

p. 295.

And, finally, Tuberculina persicini, Ditm., one of the Hyphomycetes, included by Saccardo (Sylloge, Vol. iv., p. 653) in the Tuber-

cularieæ, with which arrangement we concur.

This much is sufficient to show that, with the exception of certain doctrines, we can find but little to complain of in this book, but, on the contrary, can conscientiously advise all our readers to possess themselves of a copy before it is out of print, and not wait to make wry faces when they are compelled to buy it up as a "scarce" work at fancy prices.

M. C. C.

FUNGI SCANDINAVICI.

Supposed that a sufficient number of subscribers should be interested, I intend, with the assistance of experienced men of science, to publish a collection of dried (and pressed) Fungi, especially Scandinavian. The work, that might have the title of

"Fungi exsiccati præsertim Scandinavici,"

is intended to comprehend, as far as possible, all the orders and families of the Fungi. It will be distributed in fascicles of 100 species or forms. The Fungi will be fixed on loose sheets in order to afterwards be arranged at will. The number of the fascicles is undefined. Until further notice, 1-3 fascicles a year will be published from 1889 forward. Price per fascicle, 11s., exclusive the freight. It may be subscribed to one, several, or all fascicles, at pleasure. Orders are to be addressed to me before 1 May, 1889. Contributions respectfully requested.

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OMITTED DIAGNOSES.

The following are some of the Diagnoses mentioned in "Grevillea," xvii., p. 19, as omitted from Saccardo's "Sylloge."

Cercospora calthæ, Cooke.

Maculis orbicularibus, epiphyllis, fuscis, hyphis brevibus, hyalinis; conidiis cylindraceis, supra subattenuatis; septis vix distinctis, 30-35 \times 2 μ .

On leaves of Caltha. Forres, N.B.

Cercospora longissima, Cke. & Ellis.

The same as C. beticola, Sacc.

On beet leaves. New Jersey. (Ellis, 2721.)

Heterosporium maculatum, Klot. in Herb. Kew.

Cæspitulis minutis, gregariis. Hyphis brevibus, septatis, flexuosis, brunneis, mycelio radiante, concolori, oriundis. Conidiis ellipticis, utrinque rotundatis, 1-3 septatis, fuscis, 25-28 \times 12 μ . Episporio minute granuloso-asperatis.

On stems and leaves of Monocotyledons—apparently Typhæ and

Sparganium.

Dendryphium quadriseptatum, Cooke.

Tenue effusum. Hyphis fasciculatis, erectis, obscure septatis, ad apicem ramulosis, ramulis plerumque oppositibus; conidiis cylindraceis, quadriseptatis, nec constrictis, atro-fuscis, $30-35 \times 8-9 \mu$. On decorticated *Magnolia*. New Jersey. (Ellis.)

Coniothecium subglobosum, Cooke.

Acervulis orbicularibus, applanatis, atris (sub. 1 mm. diam.), conidiis subglobosis vel ovatis, 1-3 septatis, sæpe cruciatis, fuscis, 14×10 , vel 15×8 -9 μ .

On leaves of Calocasia ("tara"). Raritonga.

Macrosporium chelidonii, Rabh. Unio. Itin. XXXVII.

The specimens in the Kew Herbarium Exsiccati are without fruit, and no diagnosis is within our knowledge.

On Chelidonium glaucium. Alghero. (Dr. Marcucci.)

Macrosporium cæspitulosum, Rabh. Unio. Itin. XXXII.

Cæspitula initio sparsa, demum confluentia; hyphæ erectæ, rigidæ, simplices, in morem *H. subulati*; sporæ omnium maximæ, oblongo-cylindricæ v. clavatæ, plus minus curvulæ, diametro ('0006-'0007"), 4, 5-6 longiores, multi-septatæ, basi sæpius in caudam stipitiformem productæ.

On twigs of Quercus. Tempio-Gallura. (Dr. Marcucci.)

Macrosporium elegantissimum, Rabh. Unio. Itin. XXXV.

Cæspitulis densis, erumpentibus, atris, floccosis; floccis simplicibus, subtilibus, hyalinis; sporis subglobosis oblongisve, varie

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divisis, sæpe muriformibus, dilute aureis, septis obscuris, diametro æqualibus vel duplo longioribus. Rabh. Fung. Eur. 2883.
On twigs. Alghero, Sardinia. (Dr. Marcucci.)

The type specimen is not a Macrosporium.

Macrosporium oleandri, Rabh. Unio. Itin. XXIX.

"Sporis oblongis v. subclavatis, tetrablastis '0006" longis." On twigs of Nerium oleander. Tortoli. (Dr. Marcucci.)

The Kew Herbarium specimens are sterile, and the sole description is given above.

Macrosporium spaniotrichum, Rabh. Unio. Itin. XXIX.

Cæspitulis gregariis, erumpentibus, minutis, atris. brevibus, simplicibus, septatis, sporarum æquilongioribus, hyalinis; sporis elongato-ellipticis, triseptatis (nondum muriformibus) fuligineis, $30 \times 10 \mu$.

On herb stems. Terranova. (Dr. Marcucci.) This is evidently not a Macrosporium.

Macrosporium graminum, Cooke Rav. Amer. Ex. 606.

Effusum, tenuissimum, nebulosum. Hyphis repentibus, demum ramulis assurgentibus, flexuosis, septatis, fuscis conidiis clavatis 4-5 septatis, subconstrictis, dein muriformibus, fuscis, 60-70 x 22 μ.

On leaves of bamboo. S. Carolina.

Cladosporium chætomium, Cooke.

Cæspitulis minutis, in foliis viventibus, erumpentibus, atris, peritheciis Chætomii simulantibus. Hyphis densissime congestis, flexuosis, simplicibus, septatis, fuscis; conidiis uni-dein triseptatis, cylindricis, obtusis, $30-40 \times 7 \mu$, pallide fuscis.

On leaves of Euphorbia. New Jersey. (Ellis No. 2289.)

Cladosporium gleditschiæ, Cke. in Rav. Amer. Ex. 297.

Carpigenum, effusum, olivaceum. Hyphis repentibus, assurgentibus, tenuibus, flexuosis, septatis, fuscis; conidiis arcte ellipticis, demum elongatis, 1-3 septatis vix constrictis, succineis, $12-20 \times 4 \mu$.

On legumes of Gleditschia. S. Carolina.

Cladosporium microporum, Rabh. Unio. Itin. XLII.

Hypophyllum. Cæspitulis erumpentibus, gregariis, minutissimis, atris. Hyphis conidiisque-?

On leaves of Nerium oleander. Gonnos-Fanadiga. (Dr.Marcucci.)

In our specimens only a minute species of Coniothyrium can be found.

Cladosporium obtectum, Rabh. Unio. Itin. XXXVI.

Epiphyllum, tenue effusum. Hyphis repentibus, demum assurgentibus, tenuibus, flexuosis, septatis, fuscis; conidiis ellipticis, cylindraceis, vel clavulatus, uniseptatis, utrinque subattenuatis, pallide fuscis, $12 \cdot 16 \times 5 \cdot 6$ μ .

On Artemisia maritima. Alghero. (Dr. Marcucci.)

Cladosporium pelliculosum, Berk. & Curt. in Herb.

Scarcely appears to differ from Cladosporium effusum, B. & C., and does not seem to have been described.

On leaves of Polygonum punctatum, Lobelia, etc. S. Carolina.

Cladosporium subnodosum, Cke. in Rav. Amer. Ex. 294.

Epiphyllum. Cæspitulis orbicularibus (circa 1 mm.), atroolivaceis, compactis. Hyphis flexuosis, crassiusculis, fuscis, septatis, ad septis nodulosis, ad apicem, hyalino-attenuatis; conidiis ellipticis, utrinque rotundatis, 1-3 septatis, olivaceis, minutissime granulato-asperatis, $15-25\times9-10~\mu$.

On leaves of Spinacia. S. Carolina.

Probably Heterosporium.

Ceratophorum subulatum, Che. & Ellis. = Clasterosporium subulatum, Cooke & Ellis.

Effusum, atrum. Hyphis repentibus, ramosis, parcis, septatis, conidiis majusculis, rectis, obclavatis, 5-7 septatis, nucleatis, fuligineis, apice in cuspidem longam, hyalinam, continuam desinentibus, $70\text{-}100 \times 15~\mu$, cum cuspidem 180 μ long.

On bark of Liquidambar and Castanea. S. Carolina and New

Jersey.

Helminthosporium avenaceum, Curtis Herb.

Effusum, atrum, tenue velutinum. Hyphis erectis, crassiusculis, septatis, subopacis, conidiis cylindraceis, vel subfusoideis, utrinque rotundatis, 4-5 septatis, pallide melleis $75-85\times15~\mu$.

On straw. United States.

Helminthosporium collabendum, Cooke.

Effusum, indeterminatum, atrum. Hyphis flexuosis, septatis, hinc illic breviter furcatis, fuscis; conidiis fusiformibus triseptatis (rarius quadriseptatis) aureo-fulvis, $60-70\times12-14~\mu$. Episporio tenui, collabendo.

On bark. S. Carolina.

Helminthosporium gramineum, Rabh. Herb. Myc. 332.

Tenuissime effusum. Hyphis brevibus, subflexuosis, pallide fuscis. Conidiis solitariis, elongato-cylindraceis, 3-6 septatis.

On fading leaves of Hordeum vulgare. Poppelsdorf.

Allied to H. gracilis, Wallr., but differing in the conidia being solitary and elongated-cylindrical, 3-6 septate.

Helminthosporium minimum, Cooke.

Tenue effusum, velutinum, atrum. Hyphis erectis, tenuibus, fuscis (vix $100~\mu$ longis excedentibus). Conidiis fusiformibus, utrinque obtusis, triseptatis, hyalinis, $12-14\times3-4~\mu$.

On decorticated branches. Hereford.

Helminthosporium palmetto, Gerard.

Tenuissime in plagas orbicularos, effusum quandoque confluens. Hyphis erectis, crassiusculis, septatis, fuscis. Conidiis fusiformibus, triseptatis, aureo-succineis, $45\times8~\mu$.

On leaves of Palmetto. Louisiana, U.S.

Helminthosporium resinaceum, Cooke.

Effusum, indeterminatum, atrum, opacum. Hyphis simplicibus vel furcatis, septatis, constrictis, crassiusculis, fuligineis. Conidiis subfusiformibus, majusculis, 7 septatis, quandoque leniter curvulis, 70×10 - $12~\mu$, olivaceo-fuscis.

On Pine resin. Shere.

Helminthosporium reticulatum, Cooke Fun. Britt. I., 360.

Reticulato-effusum, maculas irregulares efformantibus. Hyphis fasciculatis, flexuosis, tenuibus, septatis, fuscis, ad apicem hyalinis. Conidiis subfusiformibus, utrinque obtusis, triseptatis, constrictis, fuscis, $22 \times 7 \mu$.

On dead leaves of Fraxinus. Thirsk, Yorkshire.

Helminthosporium congestum, Berk. & Curt.

This is doubtful. The specimen from Wright (Cuba) is barren, and hence cannot be described. There is no specimen under this name in the Berkeley Herbarium, and no diagnosis appears to have been published.

Verticillium puniceum, Cke. & Ellis.

Puniceum, subcompactum; cæspitulis pulvinatis, ellipticis vel confluentibus. Hyphis tenuibus, septatis, ramosis; ramulis verticillatis, brevibus, roseo-tinetis; conidiis ellipticis, minutis, continuis, profusis, hyalinis, $4\times 2~\mu$.

On wood of Quercus. Newfield, N.J. (Ellis 2222).

Botrytis cubensis, Berk. & Curt.

This proves to be only a synonym of Peronospora cubensis, B. & C.

Botrytis brunneola, Rabh. Herb. Myc. 771.

Acervules velutinis, effusis, olivaceo-fuscis; hyphis erectis, subsimplicibus, fuscis; ramis verrucæformibus s. elongatis. Conidiis oblongis, vel ovoideis, hyalinis, e verrucis innovantibus, episporio pallide colorato (8-10 \times 5-6 μ).

In capitulis humi jacentibus. Doemitz.

Botrytis sonchicola, Rabh. Herb. Myc. 175.

This is fully described in "Botanische Zeitung" for 1852, p. 620.

Botrytis atrofumosa, Cooke & Ell.

Effusa, indeterminata, atrofumosa, hyphis tenuibis, gracilis, sparse furcatis, septatis, subhyalinis; conidiis profusis, agglomeratis, subglobosis, continuis, fuscis, $5-6 \times 4 \mu$.

On Quercus bark and wood. S. Carolina. (Rav. 3275). N.

Jersey, U.S. (Ellis 2773.)

Sepedonium armeniacum, Berk. & Curt.

Specimens of Sepedonium subochraceum, B. & C., were distributed by Curtis under this name, and it is, therefore, synonymous.

Fusidium leptospermum, Pass. in Speg. Dec. 54.

Maculæ hypophyllæ, albæ, subrotundæ, parvulæ ; conidia tenuia, fusiformi-clavata, hyalina $30-45 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ foventes.

On leaves of Ranunculus bulbosus. Parma.

Cylindrium minutissimum, Rabh. Univ. Itin. XXIV.

Perexiguum; conidiis cylindricis, utroque polo rotundatis, achrois, hyalinis, apicibus concatenatis; catenis plus minus ramosis.

In consortio Torulæ. Lanusei. (Marcucci.)

Oidium obtusum, Thum. Myc. Univ. 289.

Hyphis longissimis, simplicibus, rectis, interdum septatis; conidiis cylindraceis, utrinque obtusis, hyalinis, longitudine varie, σ-16 μ long, 5 μ crass.

On cheese. Bayreuth.

Oidium cydoniæ, Pass. in Thum. Myc. Univ. 1667.

Conidia elliptica, sub-solitaria, vel duo triaconcatenata, hyphis longis fulta, 22-23 μ long, 15 μ crass.

On leaves of Cydonia vulgaris. Parma.

Sterigmatocystis agaricini, Therry MSS. (nec Speg. MSS.).

Sporotrichum resinæ, Fries = Racodium resinæ, Fr. Obs. 1, 216.

Haplaria Elisii, Cooke.

Tenuiter effusa, purpureo-fusca. Hyphis tenuibus, erectis, simplicibus, subopacis, atro-fuscis; conidiis ovatis, continuis, concoloribus $4 \times 2 \mu$.

On wood of Abies Douglassi, etc. California. New Jersey,

U.S.

SOME BRISBANE FUNGI.

By M. C. COOKE.

Mutinus sulcatus, Cke. & Mass.

Stipite cylindrico, cervino (10 cm. long, $1\frac{1}{2}$ cm. crass), parte sporifera $\frac{1}{5}$ totius receptaculi altitudinis longa, campanulato, longitudinaliter sulcato, transverse ruguloso, apice demum pervio, vel lacerato, margine contiguo, atro-olivaceo. Volva ampliata, alba. Sporis $3 \times 1\frac{1}{2} \mu$.

On the ground. Brisbane. (Bailey, 640.)

Strumella hysterioidea, Cke. & Mass.

Sporodochiis gregariis, erumpentibus, prominulis, elongatoellipticis, hysteriformibus (1-2 mm. long, $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 mm. diam.), compactis, atris; hyphis brevissimis, conidiis sphæroideis, vel subsphæroideis, continuis, olivaceis (7-8 μ long).

On denudated branches. Brisbane. (Bailey, 635.)

Hypoxylon (Placoxylon) ellipticum, Che. & Mass.

Parallelum, ellipticum (3-5 x 2 mm.), convexo-planum, atrum, opacum, intus concolorum. Ostiolis minutis, congestis, punctiformibus. Ascis cylindraceis. Sporidiis fusiformibus, continuis, fuligineis, primitus nucleatis (23-25 × 6-7 μ).

On decorticated wood. Brisbane. (Bailey, 631.) Allied to H. allantoideum, but differing in fruit and in more distinct ostiola.

Uromyces phyllodiæ, Cke. & Mass.

Maculis ellipticis, bullatis, fuscis; soris minutis, orbicularibus, congestis, compactis, brunneis, demum nudis, nec pulverulentibus, (maculis 3-5 mm. long). Uredosporis nondum vidi. Teleutosporis ellipticis, obtusis, rarius apiculatis, fuscis; episporio minute verruculoso, crassiusculo, hyalino, ad apicem incrassatis (40-45 x $16-18 \mu$).

On phyllodes of Acacia. Brisbane. (Bailey, 643.)

Resembling in some particulars Uromyces fusisporum, C. & M., but differing in the sori being crowded on bullate spots, in their brown colour, and in the form of the broader teleutospores.

THREE NATAL FUNGI.

By M. C. COOKE.

Agaricus (Schulzeria) umkowaani, Cke. & Mass.

Pileo carnoso, hæmispherico, explanato, sicco, minute granuloso, albido (3-4 unc. lato), stipite fusiformi-radicato (12-16 unc. long, 1 unc. crass), solido, glabro, concolori; lamellis liberis, postice attenuatis, confertis, sublatis, albis, sporis ellipticis, $10 \times 4-5 \mu$. Edulis.

On the ground. D'Urban. (Wood, 4060.) Two-thirds of the stem rooting in sand.

"Called 'Umkowaan' by the natives, and is delicious when cooked, much superior to the common mushroom."

Uredo celastrineæ, Cke. & Mass.

Soris hypophyllis, magnis, bullatis, epidermide tectis, gilvis; uredosporis elongato-ellipsoideis (40-50×14-16 μ). Episporio crassiusculo, granuloso-verrucoso, hyalino, plasmate aurantiaco.

On living leaves of Salacia Kraussii. D'Urban. (Wood, 4028.)

Æcidium Royenæ, C. & M.

Maculis nullis. Hypophyllum, pseudoperidiis gregariis, totius superficies occupantibus, cupularibus, aureis, margine minute serrulato, albo, æcidiosporis concatenatis, quadratis, minute rugulosis, 18-12 μ diam.

On leaves of Royena pallens. Berea. Natal. (Wood, 4078.)

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Grevillea,

A QUARTERLY RECORD OF CRYPTOGAMIC BOTANY
AND ITS LITERATURE.

BRITISH PYRENOMYCETES.

By G. MASSEE.

(Continued from p. 58.)

Fam. 12. CERASTOSTOMEÆ. Perithecia for the most part immersed, or sometimes subsuperficial, rostrate.

GEN. 1. CERASTOSTOMELLA. Perithecia rather carbonaceous. Sporidia hyaline.

* ROSTRATELLA. Sporidia subovoid.

C. rostrata, Fr., Sacc. Syll. 1546. On rotten wood. Milton, Norths.

C. cirrhosa, P., Sacc. Syll. 1547; Hdbk. 2625.

On rotten wood. Cotterstock, Lynn, Forden.

C. ampullasca, Cke., Sacc. Syll. 1549; Hdbk. 2628.

On rotten oak. Shere.

C. vestita, S., Sacc. Syll. 1550. On hard decorticated wood. Shere.

C. Stevensoni, B. & Br., Sacc. Syll. 1562. On rotten wood. Glamis, N.B.

** LENTOMITA. Sporidia uniseptate.

C. ligneola, B. & Br., Sacc. Syll. 2285; Hdbk. 2627. On decayed oak. Somerset, Sydenham, Shrewsbury.

C. stylophora, B. & Br., Sacc. Syll. 2286; Hdbk. 2630. On bark of sycamore. Mossburnford, Shere.

** CERATOSPHÆRIA. Sporidia multiseptate.

C. lampadophora, B. & Br., Sacc. Syll. 3681; Hdbk. 2629. On decayed wood. Coombe Hay, Bath.

C. crinigera, Cke., Sacc. Syll. 3682. On decorticated pine wood. Lynn.

- ** Ophioceras. Sporidia filiform, septate.
- C. bacillata, Cke., Sacc. Syll. 4111; Hdbk. 2636. On decorticated rotten sticks. Shere.
- GEN. 2. CERATOSTOMA, Fr. Perithecia rather carbonaceous, sporidia coloured.
 - C. piliferum, Fr., Sacc. Syll. 786; Hdbk. 2626. (= dryina, Pers.).
 On pine wood.
- GEN. 3. GNOMONIA. Perithecia submembranaceous, erumpent, ostiolum rostellate; sporidia hyaline.
 - * Gnomoniella. Sporidia continuous.
 - G. tubiformis, Tode, Sacc. Syll. 1567; Hdbk. 2738.
 On dead leaves (alder, hornbeam, &c.). N. Wootton, Shrewsbury, Spye Park, Wilts.
 - G. avellanæ, Šch., Sacc. Syll. 1569; Hdbk. 2737. On dead hazel leaves. King's Cliffe, Darenth, Scarboro'.
 - G. vulgaris, Ces., Sacc. Syll. 1578; Hdbk. 2739.
 On hazel leaves. King's Cliffe, King's Lynn, Thirsk, Scarboro', Darenth, Bristol.
 - G. devexa, Desm., Sacc. Syll. 1583. On Polygonum persicaria. Lynn.
 - ** Mamiana. Perithecia seated on a stroma.
 - G fimbriata, Pers., Sacc. Syll. 1589; Hdbk. 2735. On leaves of hornbeam. Common.
 - G. coryli, Batsch, Sacc. Syll. 1590; Habk. 2736.
 On living leaves of hazel. Darenth, Bexley (Kent); King's Cliffe, Suffolk, Castle Howard (Yorks).
 - ** CLOSTERIGNOMONIA. Sporidia fusoid, uniseptate.
 - G. setacea, Pers., Sacc. Syll. 2204; Hdbk. 2740 (in part).
 On the petioles, veins, and leaves of various trees, especially
 Acer pseudoplatanus. Wothorpe (Norths.), Hampstead,
 Neatishead, Darenth, Shere, Lynn, Scarboro'.
 - G. inclinata, Desm., Sacc. Syll. 2206; Hdbk. 2740 (in part). On dead leaves of Acer campestre. Highgate.
 - G. suspecta, Fckl., Sacc. Syll. 2212. On dead leaves of oak and beech. Shere.
 - G. campylostoma, Auers., Sacc. Syll. 2219. On birch leaves. Carlisle.
 - G. petiolicola, Fckl., Sacc. Syll. 2222.

On petioles of sycamore leaves. Highgate, Crystal Palace.

G. graphis, Fckl., Sacc. Syll. 2225.
On dead leaves of Rubus fruticosus. Lynn, Nesscliffe.

** SPECIES DUBLÆ.

G. curvirostra, Sow., Sacc. Syll. 2238; Hdbk. 2724. On stem of umbellifer.

G. ariæ, Fckl., F. Rhen., Sacc. Syll. 877; Hdbk. 2741. On leaves of Pyrus aria. Darenth.

SOME EXOTIC FUNGI.

By M. C. COOKE.

Lenzites sinensis, Cooke.

Pileo suberoso-coriaceo, plano (1-2 in.), basi gibbo, glabro, zonato, radiatim rugoso, submargine umbrino, postice saturate purpureo-brunneo, margine acuto, contextu lignicolori; lamellis tenuibus, rigidis, dichotomis, acie demum laceratis, sordidis dein umbrinis. Sporis $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2} \mu$.

On logs. China, Prov. Hupeh. (Dr. A. Henry, No. 7926). Somewhat allied to L. eximia, B., but quite distinct and charac-

teristic.

Ditiola phyllogena, Cke. & Mass.

Stipitata, ad basim confluens, albo-floccosa, cupula planiuscula, disco læte aureo. Sporis fusiformibus, uniseptatis, demum triseptatis, hyalinis, $12-13 \times 4-5 \mu$.

On coriaceous leaves. Castle Bruce. Dominica. (G. A.

Ramage.)

Geaster argenteus, Cooke.

Exoperidio 8-10 fido ($1\frac{1}{2}$ unc. diam.), laciniis anguste lanceolatis, apice passim bifidis, tenuis, siccitate arcte involutis, extus albidonitidis, intus fuligineo-umbrinis; endoperidio globoso ($\frac{2}{3}$ unc.), sessili, glabro, pallido; peristomio dentato-lacerato capillitio delicatulo, hyalino, 4-6 μ diam. Sporis globosis, glabris, pallide fuscis, pellucidis, 4 μ diam.

In Saskatchewan. (N.W. Amer. Expl. Exp.)

Allied to G. floriformis.

Phoma corvina, Ravenal, No. 588.

Peritheciis globoso-depressis, sub cutaneo erumpentibus, atris, laxe gregariis, vix papillatis. Sporulis minutis, ellipticis, continuis, hyalinis, $3 \times 1 \mu$. Sphæria corvina. Ravenal MSS.

On branches of Gossypium. S. Carolina. (Ravenal.)

Phoma globigera, Cke. & Mass.

Peritheciis gregariis, numerosis, punctiformibus, atris, sursum nudis, convexis; sporulis globosis, continuis, hyalinis, 5-6 μ diam.

On twigs of Vitis vinifera. (Mende.)

Cladosporium epibryum, Cke. & Mass.

Cæspitulis minutissimis, atris. Hyphis simplicibus, brevibus, flexuosis, septatis, olivaceis, superne pallidioribus; conidiis ellipticis, utrinque rotundatis, uniseptatis, medio constrictis, pallide fuscis, hyalinis, $18-20\times 10-12~\mu$.

On capsules of various mosses. United States. (Mrs. E. G.

Britton.)

Pleospora muscicola, Cke. & Mass.

Peritheciis sphæroideis, basi applanatis, breve papillatis, nigris, subnitidis, lævibus. Ascis clavatis, octosporis, brevissime stipitatis; sporidiis distichis, ellipsoideis, utrinque rotundatis, medio constrictis, 5-7 septato-muralibus, saturate fuligineis, 30-35 \times 12-15 μ .

On Bryum pendulum. Dumb-bell Bay, 82° N. (Capt.

Fielder.)

The upper half of the sporidium is broader than the lower in the majority of cases. The colour is sometimes so dark as to be almost opaque.

ON ERYSIPHE POLYCHÆTA, B. & C., AND UNCINULA POLYCHÆTA, B. & C.

The above species, although first described only a dozen years ago, have, owing to various reasons, been plunged into a state of uncertainty quite on a par with the microscopic species of old authors. Both species are described by Berkeley, as quoted below, in "Grevillea," Vol. iv., p. 159 (1876), each being followed by a fuller description drawn up from the type specimen.

"Erysiphe polychæta, B. & C.—Maculis orbicularibus; appendicibus brevibus plurimus rectis; ascis elongatis clavatis. On leaves of Celtis. Alabama. Peters, No. 3876. Spots orbicular, yellow-brown in the centre, from the young perithecia; appendages about equal to their diameter, straight; asci elongated, clavate."

-" Grev.," Vol. iv., p. 159.

Hypophyllous, spots dense, whitish, perithecia generally numerous, brownish, becoming black, subdepressed, 250-300 μ diam., appendages numerous, 200 or more, colourless, simple, when young perfectly straight, when fully developed more or less involute at the tips, which are attenuated at all stages; asci about 50, subcylindrical and abruptly attenuated at the base into a slender pedicel, constantly bisporous; spores smooth, colourless, simple, cylindrico-ellipsoid, $26\text{-}30\times11\text{-}14~\mu$. (Type in Herb. Berk., Kew, No. 10543.)

It will be seen from the above full description that Berkeley had drawn up his diagnosis from a young perithecium having the

appendages yet straight.

"Uncinula polychæta, B. & C.—Peritheciis sparsis; appendicibus multis. On leaves of Celtis occidentalis. Car., No. 5619. Perithecia scattered; appendages about 28, 1½ longer than the diameter of the perithecia, hyaline."—"Grev.," Vol.

iv., p. 159.

Hypophyllous, mycelium very scanty, not forming spots; perithecia scattered, usually not more than two or three on a leaf, 150-200 μ diam., appendages 25-28, simple, colourless, very slender, about 300 × 2-3 μ . Apices strongly involute, not at all incrassated; asci about 25, cylindrico-clavate, tetrasporous; spores colourless, simple, elliptic-oblong, 20 × 10 μ . (Type in Herb. Berk., Kew, No.

10588.)

The fact of both species being met with on leaves of Celtis and both having the same specific name has apparently led to the idea that the two species are identical, and the difficulty is not lessened by the species described as Erysiphe polychæta, B. and C., being issued in Ravenel's Fung. Car. Exs. iv., No. 68, as Uncinula polycheta, B. & C., which appears, and with reason, to have been accepted as the species described by Berkeley under the last name. which is not the case. In "Michelia," ii., p. 373, Saccardo established a new genus, Pleochata, from specimens collected by Spegazzini at Buenos Ayres, and described by the latter as Uncinula Lynckii, Speg., Fung. Arg. Pug. ii., p. 17. These specimens were considered to be identical with the Uncinula polychæta, B. & C., as published by Berkeley, Erysiphe polychæta, B. & C., being given as a synonym, and the whole included under the name of Pleochata Curtisii, Sacc. and Speg. The genus Pleochæta is kept up by Saccardo in the "Sylloge," Vol. i., p. 9, with the following remarks after the generic diagnosis:-" Setis creberrimis, rectis, contextu perithecii subcoriaceo, ascis teretiusculis, etc., ab Erysiphe et Uncinula dignoscitur." In the "Journal of Mycology," 1886, p. 43, Ellis shows that Spegazzini's South American specimens are identical with Uncinula polychæta, B. & C., of Ravenel's Fung. Carol. Exs. iv., No. 68 (= Erysiphe polychæta, B. & C., "Grev.," Vol. iv., p. 159). Ellis endeavoured to reconcile the specimens in Ravenel's Exs. quoted above with the description of Uncinula polycheta, B. & C., as follows: -" Possibly the statement that the number of appendages is 'about 28' is a typographical error for 'about 228,' which would be nearer the actual number."

In his Additamenta to the first four volumes of the "Sylloge," Saccardo adds considerably to the confusion by still keeping up the genus Pleochæta, and giving a revised diagnosis of P. Curtisii, Sacc. and Speg., the only species in the genus, which is a translation of the one given by Ellis in the "Journal of Mycology," as quoted above, and is as follows:—"Appendicibus numerosis circ. 200, hyalinis, continuis, apice attenuatis, et incurvatis ornata." It is generally admitted that in the group of Fungi under consideration the perithecial appendages constitute an important factor in

the discrimination of genera. Nevertheless, as pointed out by Cooke in "Grevillea," Vol. xi., p. 35, we have, in the present instance, a genus established by Saccardo, the leading character of which consists in the straight appendages. The genus includes a single species, the appendages of which are described as incurved. It may safely be accepted that there is no such genus as Pleochæta in nature, Pleochata Curtisii, Sacc. and Speg., being a true Uncinula. Finally, S. M. Tracy and B. T. Galloway, in the "Botanical Gazette," Vol. xiii., p. 29, in an article headed "Uncinula polychæta, B. & C.," say:—"Although this species has been known for more than ten years it is believed that an attempt to reconcile the differences in published descriptions, with the addition of such facts as have been noted in a recent examination of fresh specimens collected on Sand Creek, five miles east of Starkville, Miss., will be of interest to mycologists." The specimens collected five miles east of Starkville by the last-mentioned authors agree in many points with Erysiphe polychæta, B. & C., and may possibly be the same species, but the authors' idea of reconciliation with Uncinula polychæta, B. & C. (not "Uncinula pleochæta"), is on a par with that of Ellis, and is as follows:-"Berkeley & Curtis," "about 28" probably being a misprint for "about 280." It is curious to note that in every instance where an Uncinula has been met with on Celtis it has been considered as the U. polychata of B. & C., and that any discrepancy between the characters presented and Berkeley's brief description was due to the author's inaccuracy, whereas in reality there are two species of Uncinula on the same species of Celtis, the synonymy of which are as follows :-

1. Uncinula polychæta (B. & C.), Massee (=Erysiphe polychæta, B. & C.), Grev., Vol. iv., p. 159; Pleochæta Curtisii, Sacc. & Speg., Fung. Arg. Pug. ii., p. 44; Sacc. Syll., Vol. i., No. 32; Sacc. Addit., No. 32 (in part). Uncinula polychæta, Rav. Fung. Carol. Exs., fasc. 4, No. 68.

2. Uncinula confusa, Massee (= Uncinula polychæta, B. & C.), Grev., Vol. iv., p. 159; Pleochæta Curtisii, Sacc. and Speg., Fung. Arg. Pug. ii., p. 44; Sacc. Syll., Vol. i., No. 32; Sacc.

Addit. Syll., No. 32 (in part).

As Erysiphe polychæta, B. & C., has been shown to be a true Uncinula and is the commonest species, in addition to being already known as Uncinula polychæta, the original specific name has been retained. As to priority, it is not a matter of dates, but only to standing higher on the same page than Uncinula polychæta, B. & C., the specific name of which has been changed as above.

GEORGE MASSEE.

NEW BRITISH FUNGI.

By M. C. COOKE.

(Continued from p. 56.)

Puccinia Schreeteri, Pass. Sacc. Syll. vii., 2579.

On living leaves, &c., of jonquil. C. W. Dod, Esq., Edge Hall, Malpas.

Conisphæria (Melanopsamma) borealis, Karst., var. minor.

Perithecia scattered or gregarious, very small, innate at the base, convex above, black, smooth, slightly papillate. Asci cylindrical; sporidia uniseriate, narrowly ellipsoid, 2 guttulate, then faintly uniseptate, hyaline, $6 \times 2\frac{1}{2}\mu$.

On rotten wood. Shere. (Dr. Capron.)

Ceratostomella vestita, Sacc. Syll. 1550.

Perithecia scattered, subsuperficial, globose, loosely clad with intertwined flexuous septate hairs, naked about the cylindrical ostiolum, which is about equal in length to the diameter of the perithecium, and rugose at the apex. Asci cylindrical, shortly stipitate. Sporidia uniseriate, ellipsoid $(6-8\times4~\mu)$ continuous, biguttulate, hyaline.

On rotten wood. Shere. (Dr. Capron.)

Pleospora Meliloti, Rabh., Sacc. Syll. 3727.

var. Medicaginis, Cke. & Mass.

Sporidia muriform, 5 septate, muriform brown, $40 \times 15 \mu$. On stems of *Medicago sativa*. Kew.

Pleospora herbarum, Pers., Sacc. Syll. 3730.

var. Cichorii, Cke. & Mass.

Sporidia 7 septate, muriform, about $40-43 \times 14-16~\mu$, pale olive. On stems of *Cichorium intybus*. Kew.

Phoma cyclospora, Sacc. Syll. 837. On Euphorbia salicifolia. Kew.

Phoma Barringtoniæ, Cke. & Mass.

Epiphyllous, on large irregular glaucous spots. Perithecia convex, papillate, subgregarious, black, covered with the thin shining cuticle. Sporules fusoid-elliptic, with a nucleus at each end, continuous, hyaline, $13-15\times4-5~\mu$.

On living leaves of Barringtonia speciosa. Kew.

Diplodina glaucii, Cke. & Mass.

Perithecia minute, scattered, globose, black, covered by the epidermis, which is at length pierced by the papillate ostiolum. Sporules elliptical, obtuse, scarcely constricted, uniseptate, hyaline, $12-13\times3~\mu$.

On dead stems of Glaucium fulvum. Kew.

Mycogone alba, Letell Champ. t. 667, f. 2.

This mould, which spreads over the whole surface of cultivated mushrooms, is a true Mycogone, the conidia of which closely resemble those of M. rosea. There is no rosy tint, and it may possibly be referred to Letellier's species, of which there is no description, and the figure is very unsatisfactory. Doubtless an imperfect (conidial) condition of some undescribed Hypomyces.

On mushrooms. Wynyard, Stockton-on-Tees. (H. E. Gribble.)

Gliocladium agaricinum, Cke. & Mass.

Causing the pileus of mushrooms to crack into large frustular scales. Tufts hemispherical, sometimes confluent, pallid, growing white, at first gelatinous. Hyphæ creeping, branched, fertile branches erect, ultimate branchlets verticillate, quaternate, capitulum of conidia subglobose, white. Conidia at first glutinous, subglobose, hyaline, 5-6 μ diam.

On cultivated mushrooms. Leicester.

Bispora pusilla, Sacc. Syll. vii., No. 1633. On chips. Kew.

Tubercularia minor, Link, forma Syringæ, C, & M.

Minute, erumpent, horn-coloured, then flesh colour or reddish, shining, gelatinous when moist, stroma readily falling away, when mature, leaving cup-like pits; conidia oblong, straight, rounded at the ends, $10 \times 2 \mu$. Sporophores simple.

On twigs of lilac. Kew.

Pionnotes Biasolettianum, Corda Sc. 11., f. 14.

Polymorphous or effused, between fleshy and tremelloid, thick, orange. Stroma fleshy, whitish, floccose; hyphæ septate, simple or sparingly branched, fasciculate, stratum of conidia rather thick, gelatinous, orange-red, viscid; conidia fusiform, acuminate at each end, slightly curved, granular within, then obsoletely 2-5 septate, $60\text{-}70 \times 4\text{-}5 \mu$.

On wild rose stems. Reading. (Dr. Carlyle.)

BRAITHWAITE'S BRITISH MOSS FLORA.

We are very glad to see the first part of the second volume of this invaluable work. Part XI. contains the first part of Grimmiaceæ, and is fully up to all that have preceded it in excellence. The plates, which have now reached to Pl. LIII., are excellent. If we feel any regret—and we cannot help feeling it in common with bryologists—it is that the publication does not proceed more rapidly. On this point we have been assured that no effort has been wanting to secure greater expedition, and that these efforts will not be relaxed. We, who are growing old, sometimes fear that, in the natural course of things, we shall scarcely live to see the end; let us hope that we shall be disappointed.

TWO AUSTRALIAN FUNGI.

By M. C. COOKE.

The following specimens communicated by Baron F. von Mueller.

* Asterina (Asterella) subcuticulosa, Cooke.

Epiphylla. Perithéciis pelliculosis, applanatis, irregularibus, vel confluentibus, absque mycelio, atris, sublente fuscis. Ascis pyriformibus. Sporidiis elliptico-clavatis, uniseptatis, hyalinis, cellulo superiori latiore (circa $10-12 \times 4 \mu$).

On fading and dead leaves of Olearia argophylla. Gippsland.

(Luehmann.)

* Xylaria (Xyloglossa) agariciformis, Che. & Mass.

Capitulum semiglobose (8 mm. to 1 cm. diam.), glaucous, dotted with the black punctiform ostiola, truncate, or depressed, beneath black and sterile, so as to leave a barren black ring round the stem. Stem equal, or a little attenuated downwards, 2-3 mm. thick, 1 inch or more long, straight or flexuous, fuliginous. Asci cylindrical. Sporidia uniseriate, elliptical, rounded, or a little attenuated at the ends, at first binucleate, then opaque and dark brown, $23-25 \times 6-8 \mu$.

On stumps. Eyre's Sandpatch. Great Bight. (J. D. Baff.)

HEREFORDSHIRE FLORA.*

After being in the printer's hands for about two years this Flora has at last made its appearance. How we pity the poor Editors and Authors who are at the mercy of local printers. A worthy scene for Dante's "Inferno." Nevertheless, it is welcome at last; whether improved by its vicissitudes it is hardly possible to say. Poor Dr. Bull! Had he been alive to pass through this last experience we fear it would have disturbed his equanimity, if it had not hastened his end. "At Last" was Charles Kingsley's last book, and at last Dr. Bull's long-cherished hope of a Herefordshire Flora is now accomplished. It is a big volume, and a neat one, of which the Woolhope Naturalists' Field Club need not to feel ashamed, for this Club is responsible for the cost of its production.

A volume of 550 pages, and a map, represents a considerable amount of voluntary labour, and the two clergymen whose names appear on the title page accept responsibility for the contents. After the preface comes a long "Definition of the Botanical Districts of Herefordshire," by the Rev. W. H. Purchas, with "Notes on their Geology," by the Rev. W. S. Symonds. Then follows the

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^{* &}quot;Flora of Herefordshire." Edited by W. H. Purchas and Augustin Ley. One Vol., 8vo., cloth. Hereford: Jakeman and Carver (for the Woolhope Naturalists Field Club). 1889.

Flora, with 367 pages devoted to the Phanerogamia, then 75 pages of mosses, 70 pages of catalogue of the Fungi, and some few pages

of supplementary matter, and the Indices.

It is neither our province, nor our intention, to express any opinion on the portion devoted to the Phanerogamia, in which 903 species are recorded, inclusive of the Ferns. The mosses, to the number of 283 species, doubtless came under the fatherly care of the Rev. Augustin Lev, and there is little room for doubt that this portion of the work is thoroughly trustworthy. The Fungi, rather a speciality with the Woolhope Club, attain to some 1,097 species, contrasting favourably with the 445 species recorded in the "Flora of Leicestershire" (1886), and the 987 of the "Flora of West Yorkshire" (1888). In this portion the Hymenomycetes were catalogued by M. C. Cooke, from lists and drawings left by the late Dr. Bull, and from notes and drawings made by himself during the period of the various annual forays. The list of Discomycetes was furnished by W. Phillips, F.L.S., whilst C. B. Plowright lent his ready assistance with the Uredines and the Pyrenomycetes. Only one of these sections makes any reasonable approach to completeness, viz., that of the Hymenomycetes. The minute fungi have been only casually recorded, and nothing like a systematic attempt has ever been made to investigate the microscopic fungi of Herefordshire; consequently, with the exception of the Discomveetes, the lists are most imperfect and incomplete. At the annual forays and exhibitions all the interest has centred in the larger fungi, and this portion may be taken to represent fairly well what has been found and recorded in the county. It may be of interest to compare the number of species of the Hymenomycetes recorded for Herefordshire, namely, 636, with the 499 species recorded for the same order in the "Flora of West Yorkshire," and 299 recorded in the "Flora of Leicestershire." These numbers cannot be compared with those of Epping and Essex generally, since the Essex lists are so far behindhand in publication, notwithstanding that the Field Club has a monthly journal of its own. We fancy it may be taken for granted that Herefordshire stands at the head of all English Counties in the number of species of Agarics which have been found within its borders. It is not surprising that some of these should still remain so identified with the county that they have not been observed elsewhere in the British Such, for instance, as Lactarius lilacinus, found at Sunny Gutter, on one occasion rather freely; Hygrophorus erubescens, from Downton; Cortinarius triumphans, from Dinmore; Agaricus (Pholiota) Cookei, described by Fries from specimens collected at Dinmore; Agaricus (Inocybe) hamactus, B. & C., only found, as yet, at Credinhill; Agaricus (Naucoria) rubricatus, Berk., known only from Holme Lacy; Agaricus (Hypholoma) cedipus, C., discovered at Clehanger; not forgetting Agaricus (Pholiota) aureus var. Herefordiensis; and last, but not least, the redoubtable Strobilomuces strobiliaceus, so often found within the county.

Presumably it was inevitable that more instances than agreeable should be met with of literal errors in the printing of specific names, notwithstanding the care exercised with a view to preventing it. There are some letters which the ordinary compositor seems to delight in turning the wrong side up, and this persistency is observable here and there.

Taken as a whole, we presume that the present Flora will be accepted as generally satisfactory, notwithstanding the absence of any records of the *Hepaticæ*, Lichens, and the Fresh Water Algæ, the former being particularly remarkable, as they are often collected and studied by bryologists. In the preface these omissions are alluded to in the following terms:—"It is with much regret that we have to omit all account of the Hepaticæ in this Flora. 'Ars longa,' and though some considerable material has been gathered towards an account of the Herefordshire Hepaticæ, chiefly by the labours of Mr. B. M. Watkins, yet the whole subject remains as yet too incomplete to justify publication. We do not know, beyond the work done as mentioned above by Mr. Lees in the Malvern District, anything has yet been attempted in the County of Hereford as regards Lichens or Algæ."

The general appearance of the work is good, the type clean and clear, and the arrangement suitable for ready reference. We may have seen better paper employed, even for a County Flora, but that is a matter of detail. Certainly it is to be hoped that the Woolhope Club will not be pecuniary sufferers by this praiseworthy effort, and that it will soon be reimbursed the whole outlay in the

production of this volume.

CHAMPIGNONS DE LA FRANCE.

We approach a somewhat unwelcome task in noticing, rather critically, the later Plates issued by Capt. Lucand, in his large quarto "Figures peintes de Champignons de la France," which, as we have before observed, are intended as a continuation of the celebrated Plates of "Bulliard's Champignons de la France." The present work has now reached its eleventh part and the 275th Plate, and costs no less than £16 10s. 0d., which is double the published price of the 292 Plates given in the first two volumes of another work on "The Fungi of Britain," published in this country. Although the paper is larger in the French work, the paper is all that is furnished for the extra money. Undoubtedly there is no advantage given in artistic execution, nor do we think in scientific accuracy, but on these points our opinion may be supposed to be a prejudiced one.

Let us, however, confine ourselves to the 25 Plates included in this present Part XI., commencing with Plate 251, Lepiota naucina, Fries. Beneath this Plate there are synonyms given, or presumed synonyms, which are rather extraordinary, and somewhat shock our insular prejudices. "Agaricus pudicus, Bull., t. 597; Pholiota, of Fries; Ag. Schulzeri, Kalchb., t. 2, f. 2."

As to the identity of Ag. Schulzeri, Kalchb., with Ag. naucinus, Fries, we will not presume to decide, as we have never seen Ag. Schulzeri; but, supposing it to be true that this species has ovate spores, whilst Ag. naucinus has globose spores, then the identity must be open to question. Far more widely distinct must be Ag. pudicus, Bull., and Ag. naucinus, Fr. Most mycologists, except the gallant Captain, recognize some points of difference between the elliptical brown spores of Ag. (Pholiota) pudicus, and the globose white spores of Ag. (Lepiota) naucinus. It comes as quite a revelation that the synonyms of some of the Leucospori must be sought amongst the Dermini. This is cutting down "spore-classification" with a vengeance. Adverting to the figures, given on Plate 251, it is rather singular that the longitudinal section exhibits the stem as solid, whilst the transverse section shows it hollow. Are both equally accurate?

The next Plate, 252, is devoted to *Tricholoma panæolum*, Fries, whilst the romantic letter-press indicates as synonyms *Ag. nimbatus*, Batsch., f. 65, and *Tricholoma ectypum*, Gillet, p. 124, and of Secretan, but *not* the *Agaricus ectypus*, Fries, which should have been made clear. May it not be taken for granted that it is prudent to ignore such synonymy altogether, and just

accept the Plates for what they are worth?

Russula depallers, on Plate 261, is not exactly the sort of Russula depallers that we have been accustomed to see. We like to note the distinctly rugose grey stem, which seems so persistent in nature, but requires a very strong lens to detect

in the figures. Nevertheless "variety is charming."

Of all the hallucinations with which many of the French mycologists seem to be infected, there is no one so persistent as that figured on Plate 272 as Cortinarius torrus, Fries. Surely the figures given by Fries, in his Icones (t. 157, Fig. 1), should have convinced Dr. Quelet that his notion of Cortinarius torvus is no longer tenable. Yet the same ghost arises from the grave in this Plate, figured from specimens communicated by Quelet. The Rev. M. J. Berkeley long ago declared the French drawings of this species (those by Quelet, Boudier, and others) to be none other than his own, C. anfractus, which was not the C. anfractus, Fries, and has been figured in Cooke's Illustrations, Plate 707, under the name of Cortinarius Berkeleyi. It seems to be an absurd manifestation of obstinacy to persist in calling a species by a name with which it has no immediate affinity, and to which it is not entitled. If for nothing else, the dark-coloured flesh of Cort. torvus, as exhibited in Fries' own figures, should raise a suspicion of this impostor, with white flesh, to say nothing of the volvate patches on the pileus. Whatever else it may be, no mycologist in his senses could contend that Plate 272 represents the Cortinarius torrus, of Fries.

Generally, as applied to all the Plates, we should like to discover the value of a series of symmetrically arranged little bodies, which may be supposed to represent spores, but which, if drawn to any scale at all, the scale is not revealed, and very

seldom is any intimation given of their dimensions.

It is much to be regretted that our author did not from the first obtain the assistance of a good practical man in the art of delineation, to have advised with him, and assisted him in his work. There is no doubt that a large amount of labour and experience has not been turned to the best account, and that a little advice might have converted a very mediocre into a very excellent work. It requires but a very little elementary knowledge of illustrative art to recognize the failings in these Plates, and at the same time to marvel that the little artistic help was not obtained which would have spared the credit of the author, and augmented the sale of his work, which, in all conscience, is expensive enough for a much better book.

SYNOPSIS PYRENOMYCETUM.

(Continued from p. 52.)

Fam. 13. ENDOXYLEÆ (IMMERSÆ, Fr.). Perithecia immersa, latentia, simplicia, collo brevi erumpente.

GEN. 1. **ENDOXYLA**, Fckl. Stroma obsoletum ligneum, sporidia allantoidea, dilute fusca.

3918. parallela, Fr. ... 672 3920. macrostoma, Fckl. 674 3919. operculata, A. § S. 673 3921. populi, Rom. ... 6284

GEN. 2. **XYLOSPHÆRIA**, Cooke Grev. VII., 86. Perithecia innata, immersa, lignicola. Sporidia subelliptica, continua, vel septata, fusca.

* Anthostoma. Sporidia continua, fusca.

3922. melanotes, B. & Br. 1097	3932. polynesia, B. & C. 1110
= Schmidtii, Nke.	3933. chronostomum, $Sp.$ 6329
var. longiascum, $Berl.$	3934. carbonescens, Nke . 1111
3923. endoxyloides, Mont. 7436	3935. anceps. S. & R 1115
3924. tomentosum, <i>Ehr.</i> 1098	3936. tuberculosa, Schwz. 4368
3925. ferrugineum, <i>Nke.</i> 1099	3937. defossum, $D.R.$ $g.M.$ 1117
3926. venetum, Sacc 1100	3938. cubiculare, Fr 1118
3927. urophorum, S. &. S. 1101	3939. ostropoides, <i>Rehm.</i> 1131
3928. areolatum, <i>Nke.</i> 1103	3940. syciospermum, D.R.
3929. inquinans, Nke 1106	$ \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{S}} M.^{1} \dots 1119 $
3930. italicum, S. &. S 1107	3941. sustentum, <i>Plow</i> . 1120
3931. intermedium, Nke. 1108	3942. gigaspora, Cke. & Hk. 6531

3943. oxyacanthæ, *M.*... 1121 3944. xylostei, Pers. ... 1122

3945. alpigena, Fckl. ... 1123

3946. hiascens, Fr. ... 1125 3947. decipiens, D.C. ... 1126

3950. ambiguum, Fab.... 5934

3951. infernale, Fab. ... 5935

3952. saprophilum, Ell. & Ev.

3953. picacea, C. & E. ... 1093 3954. brachystoma, Ell.

3947. decipiens, <i>D.C.</i> 1126 3948. scoriadea, <i>Fr.</i> 1127 3949. mortuosum, <i>Ell.</i> 5933	\$ Ev 6325
** Phæosperma. Sp	oridia didyma fusca.
3955. anserina, Pers 2842 3956. cariei, Sacc 2843 3957. Saccardiana, Sp. 2844 3958. apiculata, Curr 2845 3959. hysterioides, Rehm. 2850 3960. Wellingtoniæ, C. &	3962. botulispora, M 2719 3963. dichroa, D. R. & M. 2730 3964. fibricola, S 2748 3965. tumulata, Cke 2751 3966. diplasia, D. R. & M. 2758 3967. anceps, S. & B 6616 3968. rosmarinæ, Cast. Cat. 165
** Kalmusia. Sporidia	3-multiseptata, fusca.
3969. ebuli, <i>Nsl.</i> 3373 3970. dealbata, <i>S.</i> 3374 3971. hemitapha, <i>B. & Br.</i> 3375 3972. hypotephra, <i>B. & Br.</i> 3377	3974. surrecta, <i>Cooke</i> 3380 3975. rubro-nigra, <i>Cke</i> . <i>Trans. R. S. Edin</i> . 3976. Passerinii, <i>Rabh</i> . 3376 3977. pachyascus, <i>C. & E</i> . 3379
GEN. 3. THYRIDIUM . Stron muriformia.	na effusum, ligneum. Sporidia
S 3988 3979. pulchellum, S. & S. 3989 3980. quilmense, Sp 3990 3981. lividum, Pers 3991	3983. ambleium, C. & E. 3993 3984. colliculus, Cke. Trans. R. S. Edin. 3985. garryæ, C. & H 7122 3986. personatum, C. & H. 7124 3987. antiquum, Ell & Ev. 7123
Immers xe	dubiæ.
3988. lævigatum, <i>Schwz</i> . 4354	3989. inundatorum, Sch. 4355
Fam. 14. OBTECTÆ. Fr. corticola, innata, tecta.	Sum. Veg. Scan. Perithecia
Gen. 1. MASSARIA , Fr. S fœdantia, muco hyalino obvoluta	poridia matricem plerumque
* Massariella. Sporid	ia bilocularia, fuliginea.
3990. bufonia, B. & Br. 2705 3991. vibratilis, Fckl 2706 3992. australis, Cke 2707 3993. sudans, B. & C 2708	3995. syconophila, Schulz. 2710 3996. scoriadea, Fr 1127 3997. bispora, Curt. 3998. seriata, Cke. 3999. didymopsis, Mont. 7469

** EUMASSARIA Spor	idia 2-pluriseptata, fusca.
4000. fedans, Fr 2855	
= amblyospora, B.	C. 2870
& Br	4020. rhyponta, M 2871
4001. loricata, Tul 2853	3 4021. semitecta, B. & C. 2872
4002. æsculi, <i>Tul.</i> 2854 4003. pupula, <i>Fr.</i> 2855	4 4022. Antoniæ, Fab 2873
4003. pupula, Fr 2858	5 4023. stipata, Fckl 2874
4004. pyxidata, Reiss 2856	
4005. urceolata, Wallr 2857	
4006. pyri, <i>Oth</i> 2858	
4007. corni, Fr. & M 2859	
4008. gigaspora, Fekl 2860	
4009. inquinans, Tode 2861	1 ,
4010. callispora, Sacc 2862	
4011. ulmi, Fckl 2865 4012. fagi, Fckl 2864	
4012. fagi, Fckl 2864 4013. micacea, Kunze 6646	
4014. epileuca, B. & C. 2865	
4015. platani, Ces 2866	= olivaceo-hirta, Schwz.
4016. carpinicola, <i>Tul</i> 2867	
4017. argus, B. § Br 2868	
4018. Niessleana, Rehm. 2869	4036. umbrosa, <i>Niessl.</i> 6645
	es~dubiæ.
4037. Gerardi, <i>Cke</i> 2882	
4038. squalens, $Fr.$ 2883	4042. maculata, Wallr 2887
4039. crypta, Fr 2884	
4040. protusa, Fr 2885	4044. circumscissa, <i>P.</i> 2889
-	ia bi-v. pluriseptata hyalina.
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4045. eburnea, <i>Tul.</i> 3390 var. salicis, <i>Karst.</i> 1017	0 4050. corni, $Fckl$ 3395 4051. rubi, $Fckl$ 3396
	4052. lunulata, <i>Tul</i> 3397
4046. eburnoides, Sacc. 3391 4047. tiliæ, Ph. & Pl 3392	4053. polymorpha, <i>Rehm.</i> 3398
4048. microcarpa, $Fckl$. 3393	
4049. coryli, <i>Karst</i> 3394	4055. penicillata, Sacc. 3400
	Sporidia muriformia.
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_	ridia muco involuta.
4056. siparia, B. & Br. 3708	4058. carpini, Fckl 3710
4057. holoschista, B. & Br. 3709	
	poridia muco destituta.
4059. rhodostoma, A. & S. 3711 4060. varians, <i>Hazs.</i> 3712	4061. dumorum, <i>Mont</i> 7498
GEN. 2. ENCHNOA. Fr. Pe	erithecia pilosa; muco destituta.
Sporidia botuliformia, hyalina u	v. olivacea.
4062. infernalis, Kze. & Fr. 372	
4063. floccosa, Karst 373	
4064. lanata, Fr 374	

gregaria.

tecta.

4067. millepunctata, Grev. 675

** Cryptosphærella.

4080. Nitschkei, Awd. ... 689

...

= pruinosa, Fr.

4068. populina, P.

4069. vicinula, Nyl.

4071. sepulta, *Nke*. 4072. ocellata, Fr.

4070. myriocarpa, Nke.

GEN. 3. CRYPTOSPHÆRIA. Grev. Perithecia densiuscule

* Sporidia allantoidea.

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GEN. 4. PHYSALOSPORA. Perithecia solidiuscula, sparsa,

* Sporidia ovoidea v. oblonga, hyalina.

4073. rimulosa, Pass. ...

4077. vexata, C. & E. ...

4074. ligniota, Fr.

676 4075. rubrocineta, Schwz.

677 4076. fissicola, C. & E....

679 4078. inordinata, B. & C.

680 4079. secreta, C. & E....

Myriospora, sporidia allantoidea.

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4081. corni, Sacc 1659	4094. erratica, C. & E 1696
4082. gregaria, Sacc 1660	4095. subsolitaria, Schwz. 1701
4083. uvæsarmenti, Cke. 6016	4096. eriostega, C. & E. 1702
4084. rosicola, Fckl 1662	4097. entaxia, C. & E 1703
4085. rhodina, B. & C	4098. crustulata, Lev 1706
4086. pustulata, <i>Sacc.</i> 1663	4099. idæi, $Fckl$ 1710
4087. euganea, Sacc 1665	4100. viscosa, C. & E 1712
4088. pertecta, <i>Cke</i> 1675	4101. thyoidea. C. & E. 1713
4089. citrispora, B. & Br. 1677	4102. ? microtheca, C.& E. 1714
4090. salicis, <i>Fckl</i> 1678	4103. subsimplex, Schw. 1718
4091. cupressi, B. & C. 1679	4104. callunæ, <i>Not.</i> 1721
4092. gelsemiata, <i>Cke.</i> 1680	4105. nigropunctata, Rom.
4093. ceanothina, Peck. 1692	Bot. Not. 1889.
** UROSPORA.	Sporidia caudata.
4106. cocciferæ, $Fab.$ 1732	
"*" DITOPELLA Sporidia	ıumerosa, oblonga v. fusoidea.
4107. fusispora, <i>Not.</i> 1735	4110. Vizeana, S. & Sp 1738
4108. cryptosphæria, $Fckl$. 1736	4111. Hosackiæ, <i>C. § H.</i> 1739
4109. farcta, $B. \& Br 1737$	
GEN. 5. ENDOPHLÆA, Fr.	Corticola, sparsa, tecta. Spori-
dia uni-vel multiseptata.	Corticola, sparsa, tecta. Spori-
ara ani-ver mareisepeaca.	
* Didymella. Sporidia sube	ellipsoidea, uniseptata, hyalina.
4112. cladophila, Nsl 2126	4118. vexata, Sacc 2132
4113. genistæ, <i>Fckl</i> 2127	4119. corni, Sow 2133
4114. glomerulata, Fckl. 2128	4120. Barbieri, West 2134
4115. mesnieriana, <i>Rehm.</i> 2129	4121. analepta, Ach 2135
4116. applanata, <i>Nsl.</i> 2130	4122. Picconii, Not 2136
4117. sphærellula, Pech. 2131	4123. lapponum, Not 2137
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4124. purpurearum, Awd. 2138 4125. nummularia, Bagn. 2139 4126. recedens, C. & H. 2140 4127. segna, C. & E 2141 4128. castanella, C. & E. 2142 4129. celtidis, B. & C 2144 4130. cadubrina, Speg 2145 4131. cadubriæ, Sacc 2146 4132. diaporthoides, Sacc. 2147 4133. oleandri, D.R. & M. 2149 4134. sepincolæformis, Not 2150 4135. strobiligena, Desm. 2152 4136. fusispora, Duby. in Rabh. H. M. 1132. 4137. juniperina, Duby. in Rabh. H. M. 1833. 4138. Rauii, Ell. & Ev., Bull. Torr. B. Club, x., 90. 4139. uberina, Mont 2189
** Chorostate. Sporidia subfusoidea, 1-septata, hyalina.
4140. salicella, Fr 2413 4141. sphingiophora, Oud . 2414
** Metasphæria. Sporidiis multiseptatis, hyalinis.
† Sporidia 2-4 septata.
4142. persistens, B. & Br. 3430 4151. socia, S 3438 4143. anisometra, C. & H. 3431 4152. sublanosa, Cke 3439 4144. leiostega, Ell 3432 4153. Fiedleri, Nsl 3440 4145. rothomagensis,
** Ceriospora. Sporidia fusoidea, 1-3 septata, mucronata.
4168. Dubyi, <i>Nsl.</i> 3519 4170. bicalcarata, <i>Ces</i> 3523 3520
*** Saccardoella. Sporidia 20-30 septata.
4171. montellica, $Sp.$ 3537
GEN. 6. OPHIOBOLUS. Corticolæ, tectæ. Sporidia filiformia.
4172. fruticum, R. & D. 4056 = ononidis, Auers. 4177. periclymeni, Cr 4060 4173. exilis, Ces 4057 4174. terebinthi, Fab 4058 4175. longisporus, Curr. 4059

GEN. 7. ANTHOSTOMA.	Sporidia continua, fusca.							
* Anthostomella. Sporidia continua, fusca.								
4179. clypeata, Not 1051 4180. conorum, Fckl 1052 4181. pholidigena, Ell 6320 4182. nitidula, Sacc 1053 4183. limitata, Sacc 1055 4184. olearum, S. § S 1056 4185. ostiolata, Ell. § Ev. 6322 4186. intermedia, Sacc. 1057	4187. unedonis, Not 1058 4188. eorni, Fab 5927 4189. scoparie, Fab 5928 4190. ilicis, Fab 5929 4191. helichrysi, Fab 5930 4192. Picconiana, Not 5931 4193. oreodaphnes, C.&H. 6321							
** Entosordaria. S_I	poridia appendiculate.							
4194. perfidiosa, Not 1062 4195. Poetschii, Nsl 1063 4196. appendiculosa, B. & Br 1064	4197. umbrinella, <i>Not</i> : 1066 4198. closterium, <i>B. & C.</i> 1067 4199. Rehmii, <i>Thum</i> 1075							
*** Desc	CISCENTES.							
4200. genistæ, <i>Crouan</i> . 1077 4201. abdita, <i>B. & C.</i> 1078 4202. cytisi, <i>Fckl</i> 1079 4203. loniceræ, <i>Fckl</i> 1080	4204. paliuri, Fab 1086 4205. delitescens, Not 1087 4206. nobilis, S. & S 1088 4207. picacea, C. & E 1093							
** Anthostoma. Pseudo-st	tromatica, sporidia continua.							
4208. anceps, $S \notin R$ 1115 4209. syciospermum, D . $R \notin M$ 1119 4210. oxyacanthæ, M 1121	4211. xylostei, P 1122 4212. alpigenum, Fckl. 1123 4213. hederæ, Fckl 1124							
GEN. 8. DIDYMOSPHÆRIA.	Sporidia didyma, fuliginea.							
* Perithecia a	membranacea.							
4215. conoidella, $S. \circ B$. 6573 4216. oxycedri, Fab 2653 4217. scabella, $Quel$ 7562 4218. bacchans, $Pass$ 2654 4219. rhamni, Fab 2655 4220. trivialis, $B. \circ Br$. 2658 4221. sarmenti, $C. \circ H$. 6574 4222. vitis, Fab 2659 4223. cerasorum, Fr 2660 4224. incarcerati, $Desm$. 2661 4225. geniste, $Fckl$ 2662 4226. celata, $Curr$ 2663	4227. dochmia, B. & Br. 2664 4228. permutata, Sacc 2665 4229. gregaria, Speg 2666 4230. rubifruticosi, Cr. 2667 4231. betulæ, Nesl 2668 4232. massarioides, Sacc. 6110 4233. lycii, Kalch 6116 4234. cupula, Ell. 6112, 6581 4235. ceanothi, C. & H. 6587 4236. sarmentorum, Nsl. Œst. Bot. Zeit. (1875)							
** MICROTHELIA. Circ	ca ostiolum nigrificata.							
4237. epidermidis, Fr 2677 4238. albescens, Nsl 2680 4239. diplospora, Cke 2681 4240. loniceræ, Sacc 2682	4241. opulenta, <i>Not.</i> 2684 4242. spartii, <i>Cast.</i> 2687							

4246. socialis, Sacc 2691	4249. pulchella, S. & S. 2694 4250. grumata, Cke 2695 4251. anserina, B. & Br.								
** Dublæ.									
	4255. analeptoides, $Bagb$. 2702								
	4256. grandiuscula, $Anzi$. 2703								
4254. atomaria, Korb 2701	4257. confusa, <i>Garod.</i> 2704								
	Perithecia carbonacea.								
4258. sepulta, Mont 2717	4262. megalosperma, <i>M.</i> 2739								
4259. dichroa, D. R. & M. 2730	4263. sapinea (Fr.), Karst.								
4260. lamprostoma, <i>Pass.</i> 7471 4261. Eduardi, <i>Pass.</i> 7472	Exs. 880								
4201. Eduardi, 1 ass 1412	4264. atrogrisea, C. & P.								
GEN. 9. LEPTOSPHÆRIA	· Sporidia pluriseptata.								
* Genuina. Perith	ecia nec clypeata.								
	4286. fuscella, B. & Br. 2959								
4266. lusitanica, Thum. 2014	4287. massariella, S. & Sp.2960								
	4288. platycarpa, <i>Sacc.</i> 2961								
4268. prætermissa, K 2944	4289. pampini, Thum 2962								
4269. abbreviata, Cke 2945	4290. vagabunda, <i>Sacc.</i> 2963								
4270. Thomasiana, S. & R.6660	4291. consimilis, E . of E . 6670								
4271. tamaricis, <i>Grev.</i> 2946	4292. ceanothi, C. & H. 6662								
4272. ribis, <i>Karst</i> 6661	4293. rubrotineta, <i>E. & E.</i> 6663								
	4294. Gillotiana, S. & R. 6664								
	4295. californica, <i>C.</i> & <i>H.</i> 6665								
4275. tephrosiæ, C. & E. 2949	4296. odora, <i>C.</i> & <i>H.</i> 6666								
	$4297. \text{ erice}, Fr. \dots 4380$								
4277. vitis, Cast 2950	4298. fallax, Berl 7481								
	4299. Lindigii, <i>Cke</i> .								
	4300. Baggei, Auers 2979								
	4301. sicula, Sacc 2980								
4281. Cookei, <i>Pir.</i> 2954	4302. appendiculata, <i>Pir.</i> 2993								
4282. Gibelliana, <i>Pir.</i> 2955 4283. vitigena, <i>Sacc.</i> 2956	4303. Saccardiana, Fab. 3003								
4283. vitigena, Sacc 2956 4284. avellanæ, Fab 2957	4304. Castagnei, D. R. &								
4285. coniothyrium, Sacc. 2958	M 3005 4305. petiolicola, Sacc 3017								
4209. comothyrrum, 5acc. 2550	4909. petionicola, Bacc 5017								
* Clypeosphæria. I	Perithecia clypeata.								
4306. Notarisii, Fckl 3189	4309. osculanda, <i>Pr.</i> 3192								
4307. mamillana, Fr 3190	4310. sabaligera, B. & C. 3193								
4308. limitata, <i>Pers.</i> 3191	4311. hendersoniæ, Ellis 3149								
** Melanomma. Per	rithecia sub-ecorticata								
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4312. hippophaes, Fab. 3257	4314. rhododendri, <i>Rehm.</i> 3260								
4313. Martinianum, Linds. 6141									

GEN. 10. DELACOUREA. Sporidia muriformia, fusca.

* Pleospora. Asci octospori. Sporidia ecaudata.

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4315. Saccardiana, Koum.	3755	4323.	Gilletiana, Sacc 3763
4316. sambuci, <i>Plow.</i>	3756	4324.	Spegazziniana, Sacc. 3764
4317. orbicularis, Auers.	3757		laricina, Rehm 3765
4318. clematidis, $Fckl$	3758		vitis, <i>Catt.</i> 3766
4319. eustegia, Cke	3759	4327.	cytisi, $Fckl$ 3767
4320. ephedræ, <i>Fab.</i>	3760	4328.	thuridonta, C. & E. 3768
4321. collatina, S . § S .	3761	4329.	lichenalis, Peck 3769
4322. Martianoffiana,		4 330.	gummipara, Oud. 7499
$Thum. \dots \dots$	3762	4331.	samaræ, Fckl 3785

** Delacourea. Sporidia hyalino-caudata.

4332. insignis, Fab. ... 3871

*** Julella. Asci 1-2 spori.

4333. buxi, Fab. ... 3873 4334. monosperma, Peck. 3874

Physalospora rhodina, Berk. & Curt. in Curtis Catalogue, p. 148.

Gregaria, tecta. Peritheciis subglobosis, minimis, atris, ostiolis erumpentibus. Ascis clavatis, oetosporis. Sporidiis sublanceolatis, continuis, hyalinis (03-035 \times 01 mm.).

On branches of Rosa rubiginosa. Carolina, U.S.

Didymosphæria (Amphisphæria) atro-grisea. Cke. & Peck.

Peritheciis sparsis, convexis, in cortice immersis, cuticulo griseo tectis, demum ostiolo atro erumpentibus. Ascis cylindraceis, octosporis. Sporidiis uniserialibus, ellipticis, uniseptatis, fuscis ('015 × '008 mm.).

On bark of Quercus alba. New York, U.S. (Peck, No. 3.)

Poughkeepsie. (Gerard, No. 1.)

Although under the impression that this species was described 10 or 12 years ago, we find no reference to the description.

Massaria (Massariella) seriata, Cooke.

Peritheciis depressiusculis, majusculis, seriato-dispositis. peridermio tectis, demum fissuratis. Ascis clavatis. Sporidiis ellipticis, 60×18 -20 μ , uniseptatis, medio constrictis, fuscis. cellulis æqualibus, episporio crasso, hyalino obvolutis.

On branches of Carya. S. Carolina (Rav., 1763).

Massaria distincta, Cke. Sphæria distincta, Schwein. Amer. Bor., No. 1655, Sacc. Syll. 4359.

Sporidiis biserialibus, 5-septatis, fuscis, 70-80 × 16-18 μ , medio constrictis, muco hyalino primo obvolutis.

Massaria olivacea, Cooke. Sphæria olivaceo-hirta, Schwein. Amer. Bor., No. 1656, Sacc. Syll. No. 4353.

Sporidiis biserialibus, lanceolatis, 3-5 septatis, fuscis (50-60 \times 12-16 μ), primitus ocellato nucleatis, medio-constrictis.

Massaria (Massariella) scoriadea, Fr. Anthostoma scoriadeum, Saec. Syll. 1127.

Sporidiis ellipticis, uniseptatis, $70 \times 23 \mu$, cellulo superiori majusculo, medio constricto, episporio crasso, hyalino. Ex. Fries S. S. 344.

Undoubtedly the authentic specimen we have from Fries answers in all points to this section of the genus Massaria.

Massaria (Massariella) bispora, Curtis Catalogue and Herb.

Peritheciis corticolis, subgloboso-depressis, tectis, subsparsis, ostiolo peridermium perforante matrice sporis inquinantibus. Ascis clavatis. Sporidiis ellipticis, uniseptatis, fuscis, 45×18 -20 μ , cellulis æqualibus, medio constrictis, muco hyalino obvolutis.

On back of Acer. (Dr. Curtis.)

Kansas Fungi.—Kellerman and Swingle have issued the first fascicle of their specimens of Kansas Fungi, consisting of 25 species, for the sum of one dollar and a quarter. This series it is proposed to confine to select species, which are either new, hitherto undistributed, or in some respect especially interesting. The following contents of the first fascicle will indicate the scope of the issue.

1. Æcidium Æsculi, E. & K.

2. Æcidium Dicentræ, Trelease.

3. Ceratophorum uncinatum (Clinton), Sacc.

Cercospora Cucurbitæ, E. & E.
 Cercospora Desmanthi, E. & K.

6. Cercospora lateritia, Ell. & Halsted.

7. Cercospora seminalis, E. & E.

8. Glæosporium apocryptum, E. & E.

9. Glæosporium decipiens, E. & E. 10. Melasmia Gleditschiæ, E. & E.

11. Microsphæra quercina (Schw.) Burrill.

12. Peronospora Arthuri, Farlow.

Peronospora Corydalis, De Bary.
 Phragmidium speciosum, Fr.

15. Puccinia emaculata, Schw.

- 16. Puccinia Schedonnardi, Kell. & Sw.
- 17. Puccinia (Leptopuccinia) Xanthii, Schw.
- Ramularia Virgaureæ, Thuem.
 Ræstelia pyrata (Schw.) Thaxter.
- 20. Scolecotrichum maculicola, E. & K.

Septoria argophylla, E. & K.
 Septoria Speculariæ, B. & C.

23. Sphærotheca phytoptophila, Kell. & Sw.

24. Uredo Quercus, Brondeau.

25. Ustilago Zew Mays (DC.), Winter.

COOKE HERBARIUM.

The large herbarium of Fungi transferred by M. C. Cooke to the Royal Herbarium at Kew, is now for the most part incorporated with the National collection. The total number of specimens reach to 46,000, being nearly double that of the Berkeley Herbarium, and these, approximately, represent:—

Hymenomycetes		•••			11,000
Gasteromycetes			$_{ m tres}$		2,000
Ustilagines and	Uredi	nes			6,000
Discomycetes			•••	•••	6,000
Pyrenomycetes					12,000
Incompletæ					9,000

The number of species has not been calculated, a large number of which are types, and others as important as types; such, for instance, are the individual specimens used in the illustration of "Mycographia." The entire collection is a most valuable one, and has fitly become national property, containing as it does contributions from most of the mycologists of the past forty years, Berkeley, Broome, Bloxam, Cesati, Currey, Curtis, De Notaris, Duby, Ellis, Fries, Kalchbrenner, Leveille, Montagne, Peck, Ravenal, Rabenhorst, Westendorp, Winter, &c., &c.

WHAT IS LICHENOPSIS?

By M. C. COOKE.

Schweinitz described and figured in his "Fungi Americani Boreali" a fungus which he there named *Lichenopsis sphæroboloides*, and, upon the faith of this description and its illustrative figures, Prof. Saccardo has, in his "Sylloge" (Vol. iii., p. 442), included it in *Sphæropsideæ*. This is the first interpretation of the genus.

In the Berkeley Herbarium there is a very good specimen of this fungus, contributed by Schweinitz himself, which accords very well with the description externally, and also internally to a certain extent, but not entirely, since this is a *Discomycete*, differing very little, if at all, from *Schmitzomia*; and this is the second interpretation accepted by Berkeley, and Curtis, and also, we fancy, by most of the American botanists.

The third interpretation appears to be an accidental one. It is based on specimens from S. Carolina in the Berkeley Herbarium, and included under *Lichenopsis sphæroboloides*, with which it agrees in external appearance and habit, but differs in fructification. Which of these is the true *Lichenopsis?* There certainly seems to be a strong presumption in favour of the authentic specimen derived from Schweinitz. It is erumpent, with the appearance of a *Stictis*, the hymenium

soon falling out and leaving a cup-shaped hollow. This hymenium is a compact mass of long cylindrical asci, mixed with paraphyses, the tips of which are pyriform and coloured. The sporidia are filiform, the length of the ascus (150-160 μ) multiseptate and hyaline, as in Schmitzomia. Making allowance for the inferior microscopes at the time when this description was constructed, as well as the slight care bestowed upon microscopical characters, it is not unreasonable to suppose that the coloured tips of the paraphyses were interpreted by Schweinitz as the spores, and the septate hyaline sporidia as the long septate basidia. This view is strengthened by a comparison of the figures, given with the description, and the fructification of the Schweinitzian specimen. No one has seen a specimen corresponding with the description as interpreted by Saccardo; and yet the species, as represented by the specimen alluded to, has several times been found in the United States. We infer, therefore, that Lichenopsis spheroboloides is the Stictiform Discomycete published in Ravenal's "Carolina Fungi" (iii., No. 72), resembling, if not congeneric with Schmitzomia. And, further, that the description drawn up by Schweinitz was imperfect and misleading through a wrong interpretation of the facts. Hence the genus Lichenopsis, as a genus of Sphæropsoid Fungi, is untenable, and should be regarded as a spurious, or, at the very least, a very doubtful genus.

The third interpretation, as already stated, is based upon specimens which have the external appearance of the Schweinitzian specimen, but with different fruit. In this the asci are also cylindrical, but broader, and contain eight large cylindrical sporidia $(120\text{-}135\times15\text{-}17~\mu)$ divided transversely by numerous septa, each cell so formed being at length longitudinally divided, so that the entire sporidium is muriform and hyaline. At complete maturity the joints separate, as figured by Berkeley in the sporidia of $Platygrapha\ magnifica$ ("Annals of Natural

History," Vol. xiv., t. 5, fig. 26 C).

This pseudo-Lichenopsis would, but for the longitudinal division of the cells, rank with Berkeley's Platygrapha magnifica, which, by-the-bye, is entirely out of place in Platygrapha, has nothing in common with the genus Platygrapha as recognized by Montague, and, in our opinion, is entitled to rank with fungi, and not with Lichens. With this impression, therefore, we are disposed to place these two fungi in a distinct genus of Stictiæi under the name of—

PLATYSTICTA, n.g. Erumpens, orbicularis, urceolatis, marginatis; disco plus minus decedente. Sporidiis magnis, hyalinis, pluriseptatis vel muriformibus, dissilientibus.

* Sporidiis pluriseptatis.

PLATYSTICTA MAGNIFICA (B. & Br.). Platygrapha magnifica, B. & Br. Ceylon Fungi, No. 973 e, t. 5, fig. 26.

** Sporidiis muriformibus.

PLATYSTICTA SIMULANS, Che. & Mass. Lichenopsis sphæroboloides,

Berk in Herb. pro parte.

Immersa, erumpens, discoidea, urceolatis, margine albo. Ascis cylindraceis. Sporidiis cylindraceis, utrinque rotundatis, medio constrictis, pluriseptatis, dein muriformibus, hyalinis, $120-135\times16-17~\mu$.

On Quercus. S. Carolina. No. 2423.

THELEPHOREI.

It has long been, and probably still is, somewhat a reproach to mycologists that whereas so much has been done in other orders of Fungi, the Thelephorei remain pretty much the same as they were fifty years ago. Yet there is ample scope for improvement, since the microscope has been very little brought into use with the view of facilitating their classification or more accurate determination. One slight step was taken in advance when certain species of Stereum were separated, and constituted a distinct genus, under the name of Hymenochæte, but even this failed to command universal acceptance. This failure was hardly based upon legitimate grounds, for the genus is a most natural one, but may partly be attributed to a prejudice against microscopical characters, on account of the additional labour involved, until it became almost compulsory. Another effort was subsequently made to obtain recognition for the genus Peniophora, which to some extent approached Hymenochæte, and was composed, for the most part, of species separated from the large genus Corticium. This, again, was not at all generally appreciated, and mycologists still went on attempting to identify species by the aid of a pocket lens, and the short, imperfect diagnosis of the older authors.

Anyone who has ever attempted the identification in this manner of the species of *Corticium* is painfully conscious of the difficulties which beset the way. The consultation of any good herbarium will consequently result in the discovery that, when the microscope is brought into operation, a series of specimens, having considerable external resemblance, are so different in fructification, and sometimes in texture, that only a very catholic spirit could induce anyone to accept them as one species. And yet there are so many good features in texture, as well as of fructification, that one is led to marvel that these have not been taken advantage of long ago to reform the classification.

It is needless to indicate here what are the features to be relied upon in a revision, since the work has long since been taken in hand by Mr. G. Massee, who for many months has been engaged in examining types, and elaborating new features

by means of which some of the larger genera may be reduced to working order. No inconsiderable portion of this monograph is already in type, and the residue ready for press at the shortest When this appears we may probably embrace the opportunity to revert to the subject, and advance our opinion on the various modifications adopted. Without the aid of authentic specimens it is almost impossible in some cases to determine with exactitude the species of old authors, which depend entirely upon a short description drawn up from the external appear-What hundreds of specimens have had to be examined in the course of these researches must be left to the imagination, and it is to be hoped that the results will be accepted with that appreciation which so much arduous and honest labour deserves. It would be too much to expect that any first effort of this kind should be absolutely perfect, but we may be sure that it will mark a step in advance, and render a difficult

branch of the study more easy of comprehension.

Let anyone make the experiment for himself by consulting a large herbarium, in which, perhaps, some common species is represented by 50 or 100 specimens from various localities, determined, it may be, by several different individuals. Externally, it is true that they may bear a general resemblance the one to the other, but, when more minutely examined, it will be discovered that several different types of structure, or of fructification, all bear the same name. In such a case what is to determine the true species? Undoubtedly some authentic specimen of the original type, if it can be procured; but if not, then the form most generally accepted by mycologists of repute, or who were known to be in communication with the original author. It may be contended that even the original author, not having employed the microscope, may have issued specimens under the same name which are not identical. This has been done in the Spheriacei, and may also occur in this group. such a case the one which accords most closely with the description should be adopted, and accepted, supplemented with such details as may prevent a similar error in the future.

The advent of a monograph of the *Thelephorei* will, therefore, be anticipated with pleasure, and it is to be hoped that in a few weeks the first portion will be in the hands of all in-

terested parties.

Fungus Forays, 1889.—Hitherto arrangements for the annual Forays are incomplete. Of course the Woolhope Club will occupy as usual the first week in October. The Hampshire Field Club have intimated their intention of continuing the precedent of the past two years, and there will be excursions in Epping Forest.

MEMORABILIA.

LINDBERG.—By the death of Professor Lindberg, of Helsingfors, bryologists have lost a valuable coadjutor at the early age of 54. During his career he did considerable service, although we somewhat doubt the expediency of changing so many names, on the ground of priority, to which he was addicted.

CLAVARIA CLAVATA, *Peck.*, in Ellis N. Amer. Fungi, No. 613, 25th report of New York State Museum of Natural History, p. 83, is undoubtedly the same as *Clavaria paludicola*, *Lib.*, Pl. Crypt. Ard. fasc. 4, No. 322 (1837).

Braithwaite's Moss Flora.—We are informed that another part of this valuable work may be anticipated about July.

Fungi, their Nature, Uses, etc.—Another edition, the fourth, of this volume by M. C. Cooke, in the International Scientific Series, has just appeared. It is almost unique that a book on Fungi, in this country, should proceed beyond a first, or at most a second edition.

COOKE'S ILLUSTRATIONS OF FUNGI.—This work has now reached its 69th part, and plate 1,098. Progress has of late been very slow, on account of the difficulty experienced in getting the plates printed. Part 70 will include the greater part of Cantharellus, leaving Marasmius as the only remaining large genus to be encountered. The end is therefore in sight.

COOKE'S BRITISH FRESH WATER ALGE.—As only about four copies of this work still remain to be sold, it is expedient that any person, or Society, intending to purchase should at once come to a resolution. All the plates are "cleaned off," and hence the work is not likely to be reproduced. There is no doubt that stray copies will soon advance considerably in price.

Boletus and Polyporus.—It has been suggested that on the completion of Cooke's Illustrations of Fungi, embracing all the British Agaricini, a new work should be projected of the same character, giving coloured illustrations of Boletus, Polyporus, Trametes, Dædalea, Merulius, etc.; in fact, all the British Polyporei. It is presumed that such a work could be contained within the limits of a single volume of about 10 parts, with 16 plates each. The suggestion is still under consideration, and, if attempted, it would be as a distinct work, so as not to extend the "Illustrations of Fungi" beyond the projected eight volumes.

EPHELIS.—A recent communication by M. C. Cooke and G. Massee, in the "Annals of Botany," suggests that the original

genus established by Fries belongs to the *Sphæropsidew*, and that the name should not be employed in *Discomycetes* (as has been done by Mr. Phillips). A new development is detailed in the above paper, in which a Pyrenomycete (*Balansia trinitensis*, C. & M.) is shown to have been produced from the stroma of *Ephelis trinitensis*, C. & M., a species closely allied to *Ephelis mexicana*.

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